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REPORT
OF THE
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
Town of Middleton
FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1957



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Flint Public Library

Middleton, Mass.



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Town Meeting Warrant



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Middleton in the County of Essex:

GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Howe-Manning School Auditorium in said Middleton on Tuesday the Eleventh day of March next, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee Reports.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew such note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 3. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town Expenses for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors to use \$12,000.00 from available funds to reduce the tax rate.

ARTICLE 5. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$2,000.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department, said sum to be used for reducing the tax rate.

ARTICLE 6. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, said money to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Dept., to build an addition on our present garage which can be used for material storage.

ARTICLE 7. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00, said sum to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Dept. This sum together with the exchange value of the present 1951 service truck to be expended for the purchase of a new service truck.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to be used for hot topping the frontage and repair of the entrances to Memorial Hall.

ARTICLE 9. On petition of James H. Ogden and others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purchase of materials and to install lighting on Park St.; said amount to be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

ARTICLE 10. On petition of Herbert Ayles and others, to see if the Town will vote to have installed on the accepted section of Beale Road, off Forest Street, three street lights at a cost of \$300.00. Said amount to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Dept.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five (5) voters to investigate the advisability, proposed costs and methods of the regular collection of garbage as a municipal function in the Town of Middleton, and to report their findings and cost estimate to the next Town Meeting.

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, March 17 next for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, Highway Surveyor, Tree Warden, Constable, Superintendent of Burials, one Electric Light Commissioner for three years, two Members of the School Committee for three years, one Member of the School Committee for Two years, two Trustees of Flint Public Library for three years, one Member of the Board of Water Commissioners for three years, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for two years, one Member of the Planning Board for five years, and shall include the question:

"Shall chapter thirty-two B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this Town?"

The polls will be open at 7:00 A.M. and shall be closed at 7:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at Memorial Hall, Post Office and Store at Hove's Station in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight.

DAVID BURNS, Chairman
MANUEL GILBOARD, Clerk
WILBUR C. RUNDLETT, JR.
Selectmen of Middleton

A true copy. Attest:

JAMES W. WENTWORTH, Constable.

Annual Report

for the

Town of Middleton

Massachusetts

1957



Ernest H. Goodale

1889 - 1957

Member Board of Registrars 1943-1957

Charles Masquale

1893 - 1957

Member Board of Public Welfare 1943-1957

Town Officers Elected 1957

Moderator

Daniel J. Donovan

Town Clerk

Alton W. Hubbard

Selectmen and Board of Health

David Burns, Chairman (1958)

Manuel Gilboard, 1960

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., 1959

Board of Public Welfare

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman (1959)

Charles H. Bates

Leyland A. Phillips (1958)

Charles Pasquale

Board of Assessors

Paul B. Wake, Chairman (1960)

Wilbur A. Witham (1959)

Ernest F. LeBeau (1958)

Treasurer

Edward H. Leary (1959)

Tax Collector

Harold E. Tyler

Highway Surveyor

John J. Hocter

Constable

James W. Wentworth

School Committee

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman (1958)

Rosamond L. Bastable, Clerk (1958)

Henry F. Luscomb (1960)

Joseph R. Chartier (1959)

Henry N. Sawyer (1960)

TOWN OFFICERS

Electric Light Commissioners

John Muzichuk, Chairman (1960)
Frank E. Dow, Clerk (1958) J. Lansing English (1959)

Cemetery Commissioners

Richard N. Maxwell (1960)
Michael Lavoigna (1958) Lawrence E. Tinkham, Jr. (1959)

Superintendent of Burials

Charles W. Baker

Tree Warden

James Donovan

Planning Board

Louis Barrett, Chairman (1959)
Henry N. Sawyer (1961) R. Lionel Barrows (1962)
Frank Silva (1958) Edward J. Hoffman (1960)

Trustees Flint Public Library

William H. Sanborn, Chairman (1960)
William T. Martin (1959) Paul B. Wake (1959)
Thomas J. Oliver (1958) Elmer O. Campbell, Jr. (1958)
Carl C. Jones (1960)

Water Commissioners

Benjamin K. Richardson (1960) Roger M. Peabody (1958)
Rudolph A. Angers (1959)

Town Officers Appointed 1957

Registrars of Voters

Lloyd H. Getchell, Chairman (1960)
Walter L. Paine (1959) Frederick C. Jones (1958)
Max J. Brean, Jr., Clerk (Ex-Officio)

Zoning Appeal Board

William H. Sanborn, Chairman (1959)

Ferederick P. Daniels (1961)

R. L. S. Marsh (1958)

Beaumont Hurd (1960)

Donald A. Aylward (1962)

Finance Committee

Richard Cressy, Chairman (1960)

Hazen M. Richardson (1958)

Alden F. Moreland (1960)

Barbara A. Rooney (1959)

Paul Odell (1958)

Chief of Police

James W. Wentworth

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Joseph Beggs

Inspector of Cattle

Philip H. Dearth

Inspector of Slaughtering

Roland Larocque

Town Accounant

Elmer O. Campbell (1960)

Forest Fire Warden

Harold F. Purdy

Chief of Fire Department

Harold F. Purdy

Superintendent of Cemeteries

Charles W. Baker

Moth Superintendent

James Donovan

TOWN OFFICERS

Custodian of Town Hall

James H. Ogden

Electric Light Manager

Willis W. Esty

Town Counsel

Daniel J. Donovan

Welfare Agent

Phyllis R. Brown

Building Inspector

Earl F. Jones

Wire Inspector

John W. Milbery

Veterans Agent

James H. Ogden

Health Agent

Leyland A. Phillips

TRUSTEES**B. F. Emerson Fund**

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Mass.

Roger F. Clapp

William H. Sanborn

Paul B. Wake

Mansfield Fund

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

David Cummings Fund

Board of Public Welfare

Annual Report

of the

Town Accountant

1957

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ending Dec. 31, 1957

RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES:

CURRENT YEAR

Property	\$ 231,075.51
Poll	1,534.00
Farm Animal Excise	369.70
Lieu of Taxes	2,341.10

PREVIOUS YEARS

Property	10,862.87
Tax Title Redemptions	118.86

FROM THE STATE

Income	
Valuation Basis	4,662.40
Education Basis	25,785.93
Corporation	16,129.05

\$292,879.42

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Alcoholic Beverage	3,250.00
All other	731.00
Building	380.65

4,361.65

FINES:

District Court	162.85
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162.85

GRANTS AND GIFTS:

FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Old Age Assistance	16,383.83
Aid Dependent Children	3,568.02
Disability Assistance	807.20
School Lunches	5,294.32
Other School Purposes	1,892.78

27,946.15

FROM STATE

Meals Tax	1,187.28
Vocational Education	212.23
High School Transportation	10,780.00
School Building Aid	10,002.96
School Superintendent	3,333.33
Highway (Chapter 81)	10,589.09
Inspection of Animals	100.00

 36,204.89

FROM COUNTY

Dog Licenses	768.76
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 768.76

ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE

Sale Tax Possession Property	92.00
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 92.00

PRIVILEGES

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	38,869.32
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 38,869.32

DEPARTMENTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE:

Selectmen	64.00
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FINANCIAL:

Treasurer	21.00
Collector	73.90

OTHER DEPARTMENTS:

Clerk	23.00
Board of Appeals	118.00

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS:

Town Hall	204.50
Memorial Hall	1,020.00

 1,524.40

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police	62.30
Police Ambulance	48.00
Sealing of Weights and Measures	84.80
Dog Officer	135.00

 330.10

HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Tuberculosis Subsidy	435.00
Dental Clinic	368.50

 803.50
HIGHWAYS:

Chapter 90 Construction	19,170.00
Chapter 718	2,500.00
Snow and Sanding	654.76
Truck and Machinery Rental	4,330.40

 26,655.16
CHARITIES:**PUBLIC WELFARE**

From Cities and Towns	1,127.05
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

From Cities and Towns	550.05
From State	19,803.07

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From State	2,528.82
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

From State	1,066.23
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 25,075.22
VETERANS' SERVICES:

From State	2,693.06
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 2,693.06
SCHOOLS:

Tuition, Transportation State Wards	342.36
Sale of Supplies	16.80
Hall Rental	40.00
Lunches	12,382.01

 12,781.17
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

Sale of Light and Power	164,812.05
Miscellaneous	1,935.98

 166,748.03

CEMETERIES:

Sale of Lots and Graves	390.00	
Opening Graves	973.00	
Care of Endowed Lots	743.10	
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		2,106.10

INTEREST:

On Deposits	67.02	
On Deferred Taxes	555.80	
Bond Issue	547.20	
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		2,895.02

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

School Loan	180,000.00	
Fire Truck Loan	15,000.00	
Premium on Bonds	504.00	
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		195,504.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT:

Beverage Licenses	10.00	
Dog Licenses	963.50	
Perpetual Care Funds	1,210.00	
Withholding Taxes	18,265.55	
Retirement Fund	3,647.38	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	2,542.85	
Meter Deposits	645.00	
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		27,284.28

REFUNDS:

General Departments	388.50	
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		388.50

TRANSFERS:

Electric Light Depreciation Fund	8,109.27	
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		8,109.27

Total Receipts 874,182.85

Cash Balance January 1, 1957 115,409.13

\$989,591.98

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

MODERATOR

Salary

David J. Donovan	50.00	50.00
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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Expenses

Association Dues	15.00	15.00
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SELECTMEN

Salaries

—	David Burns	500.00
	Manuel Gilboard	500.00
	Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr.	500.00

1,500.00

Expenses

Clerk	350.00
Supplies and Printing	87.72
Advertisements	126.75
Postage	34.10
Association Dues	34.00
Flags and Flowers	62.35
Expenses	95.00

789.92 2,289.92

ACCOUNTANT

Salary

Elmer O. Campbell	1,400.00
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Expenses

Supplies	83.65
Association Dues	3.00

86.65 1,486.65

TREASURER

Salary

Edward H. Leary	1,200.00
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Expenses

Supplies	155.66
Postage	105.00
Mileage and Expenses	142.00
Clerical Assistance	300.00
Bank Charges	760.55
Association Dues	2.00
Office Equipment	182.00
Certifying Notes	10.00

1,657.21

Tax Title Expenses

Registry of Deeds	6.00
Counsel Expenses	287.06
Deeds	9.00
Takings	44.60

346.66

3,203.87

COLLECTOR

Salary

Harold E. Tyler	1,200.00
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Expenses

Supplies	330.01
Postage	197.20
Deputy Collector	20.00
Clerical Assistance	327.00
Mileage - Telephone	84.20
Association Dues	2.00

960.41

2,160.41

ASSESSORS

Salaries

Paul B. Wake	625.00
Wilbur A. Witham	600.00
Ernest F. LeBeau	575.00

1,800.00

Expenses

Supplies and Postage	161.92
Abstracts	93.35
Mileage - Expenses	80.00
Clerical Services	330.00
Association Dues	9.00
Office Expenses	74.70

748.97	2,548.97
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TOWN CLERK

Salary

Alton W. Hubbard	100.00
Max J. Breau, Jr.	300.00

400.00

Expenses

Office Expenses	148.59
Office Supplies	92.06
Office Equipment	317.00
Recording Deeds	23.00

570.65	970.65
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COUNSEL

Salary

Daniel J. Donovan	800.00
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Expenses

Office Expenses	30.00
Filing Fees	18.00

48.00	848.00
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PLANNING BOARD

Expenses

Clerical Services	50.00
Association Dues	22.50

72.50	72.50
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ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Salaries

Ernest P. Goodale	35.00
Lloyd H. Getchell	35.00
Frederick Jones	35.00
Alton W. Hubbard	10.00
Max J. Breau, Jr.	25.00

140.00

Expenses

Listing	250.00
Election Officers	205.50
Printing and Supplies	203.10
Lunches	44.41
Janitor — School Hall	10.00

713.01

853.01

TOWN HALL

Salary

James H. Ogden	480.00
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Expenses

Fuel and Light	561.92
Repairs	52.95
Supplies	19.64
Painting	223.00

857.51

1,337.51

MEMORIAL HALL

Salary

Alfred H. Kitchin	360.00
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Expenses

Fuel and Light	1,486.19
Water and Telephone	111.07
Supplies	169.49
Repairs	310.18
Oil Burner	495.00

2,571.93

2,931.93

Total General Government Expenditures

\$ 18,778.42

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

CONSTABLE

Salary

James W. Wentworth	35.00
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35.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages

James W. Wentworth, Chief	4,680.00
Lloyd H. Getchell	1,463.00
Harold Moore	595.00
Arthur Doane	316.25
Robert Hurd	240.00
Joseph Peters	105.00
Norman Welch	103.75
William Pennock	3.75
Matron	14.55

7,521.30

Expenses

Car Maintenance	1,782.85
Office Expenses	309.65
Supplies	61.02
Equipment	103.70
Car and Radio	1,764.75
Association Dues	5.00

4,026.97

11,548.27

CIVIL DEFENSE

Expenses

Telephone	84.10
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84.10

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Salary

Earl F. Jones	500.00
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Expenses

200.00

700.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Chief	700.00
Deputy Chief	200.00
Captain	150.00
Lieutenants (3)	225.00
Forest Warden	50.00
Firefighters	1,198.96

2,523.96

Expenses

Labor	3,174.38
Equipment and Repairs	1,214.04
Gasoline and Oil	371.89
Fuel and Light	1,312.12
Building Maintenance	119.70
Office Expenses — Telephone	301.84
Fire Alarm	943.99
Insurance	220.15
Supplies	13.65
New Pumper	19,486.82

27,158.58

29,682.54

BOARD OF APPEALS

Expenses

Advertisements	152.25
Postage — Supplies	15.52
Clerical Services	86.33

254.10

254.10

WIRE INSPECTOR

Salary

John W. Milbery	300.00
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Expenses

125.00

425.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salary

Joseph Begg	125.00
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Expenses

75.00

200.00

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Wages

Labor	2,034.70
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Expenses

Truck Supplies	108.60
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Supplies	563.00
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Equipment Hire	22.00
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Removing Trees	1,047.30
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Planting New Trees	296.40
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Association Dues	5.00
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	<u>2,042.30</u>	4,077.00
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DOG OFFICER

Salary

James W. Wentworth	100.00
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Expenses

Care and Disposing of Dogs	122.00
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	<u>222.00</u>
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Total — Protection of Persons and Property	\$ 47,228.01
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HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Leyland H. Phillips, Agent	300.00
Mary Wilson, Ass't. Agent	20.00

 320.00

Expenses

Care of Patients	422.50
Care of Dump	2,523.00
Vital Statistics	193.00
Polio Clinic	103.00
Office Expenses	19.85

 3,261.35

3,581.35

DENTAL CLINIC

Expenses

Services	1,115.00
Supplies	174.90

1,289.90

1,289.90

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE

Salary

Philip H. Dearth	200.00
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Expenses

95.50

295.50

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Salary

Roland Larocque	100.00
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 100.00

ESSEX SANATORIUM ASSESSMENT

County Treasurer

5,531.72

 5,531.72

COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM

Community Services, Inc.

2,000.00

 2,000.00

 Total — Health and Sanitation Expenditures \$ 12,798.47

HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Wages

Labor	3,041.95	
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Expenses

Truck Hire	245.20	
Supplies	874.13	
Signs	25.50	
Lights	73.46	
Office Supplies	37.20	
Office Equipment	115.00	

	1,370.49	4,412.44
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CHAPTER 81 — MAINTENANCE

Wages

Labor	6,743.20	
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Expenses

Truck Hire	1,758.00	
Equipment Hire	739.00	
Asphalt	3,270.04	
Sand and Gravel	1,258.64	
Supplies	95.58	
Office Expenses	160.54	

	7,281.80	14,025.00
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CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE

Wages

Labor	850.00	
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Expenses

Truck Hire	314.80	
Equipment Hire	320.00	
Asphalt	1,515.20	

	2,150.00	3,000.00
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CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION

Wages

Labor	2,418.70
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Expenses

Truck Hire	930.80
Equipment Hire	2,399.90
Asphalt	870.13
Gravel	285.84
Supplies	58.03
Blasting	495.90

5,040.60	7,459.30
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SNOW REMOVAL

Wages

Labor	2,875.90
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Expenses

Truck Hire	2,507.20
Repairs and Supplies	1,788.50
Sand and Salt	2,512.48
State Highway	4.37

6,812.56	9,688.46
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ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Expenses

Gasoline and Oil	2,008.87
Parts and Repairs	2,004.84
Insurance and Registration	51.22
Supplies	186.84

4,251.77	4,251.77
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MILL STREET BRIDGE

Wages

Labor	1,271.00
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Expenses

Truck Hire	48.00
Material	1,990.43

2,038.43	3,309.43
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PEABODY STREET BRIDGE

Contractor	18,720.00		
Advertising	13.30		
		18,733.30	18,733.30

STORM DRAINS

Contractor	428.00		
Material	1,247.61		
Labor	120.80		
		1,796.41	1,796.41

STREET SWEEPER

Sweeper	1,050.00		
			1,050.00

STREET SANDER

Sander	1,942.75		
			1,942.75

STREET LIGHTING

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	4,000.00		
			4,000.00

Total — Highways Expenditures			\$ 73,668.86
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CHARITIES

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries — Commissioners

Charles Pasquale	250.00	
Leyland A. Phillips	300.00	
Leslie E. Merrifield	250.00	
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		800.00

Expenses

Administration	78.75	
Aid — Cash	1,334.40	
Groceries and Fuel	132.85	
Medical Aid	180.56	
Other Cities and Towns	1,945.76	
Burials	326.00	
Refunds	547.51	
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		4,545.83

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Administration

Central Essex Welfare District	1,006.00
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Aid

Cash	42,112.86	
Other Cities and Towns	1,230.33	
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		43,343.19

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Aid

Cash	7,401.27
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Aid

Cash	3,002.20	
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Total — Charities Expenditures	\$ 60,098.49
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VETERANS' SERVICES

Salary

James H. Ogden, Agent	250.00
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Expenses	19.50
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Aid

Cash	4,833.00
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Rent, Fuel, Groceries	545.96
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Medical Aid	227.00
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Other Cities and Towns	347.40
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5,953.36

Total — Veterans' Services Expenditures	<hr/> \$ 6,222.86
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SCHOOLS

Salaries

Superintendent	6,670.00
Teachers and Supervisors	69,305.49
Doctor	600.00
Nurse	1,200.00
Janitors	5,822.75
Attendance Officer	125.00
Census	50.00
Clerk	2,775.00

86,548.24

Expenses

Supt. Out of State Travel	165.54
Superintendent Expenses	180.00
Office Expenses	886.49
Books and Supplies	8,307.06
Building Maintenance	7,305.14
Fuel and Light	4,577.67
Transportation	15,147.50
Tuition	32,784.08
Furnishing — Equipment	1,620.74

70,974.22 157,522.46

SCHOOL ADDITION

Contractor	144,173.90
Architect	3,685.65
Equipment	13,671.43
Expenses	804.07

162,335.05 162,335.05

REGIONAL SCHOOL

1956-1957 Assessment	52,634.21
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52,634.21

SCHOOL LUNCH

Labor — Supplies — Equipment	20,175.14
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20,175.14

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Expenses			
Tuition	628.70		
Expenses	183.35		
		812.05	812.05
Total — School Expenditures			\$393,478.91

LIBRARY

Salaries	1,875.50	
Expenses	3,336.19	
		5,211.69
Total — Library Expenditures		\$ 5,211.69
For detail report see Trustee's Report		

RECREATION

PARK

Wages		
Labor		369.50
Expenses		
Supplies	123.06	
Storage	50.00	
Spraying	30.00	
Equipment	30.00	
		233.06
		602.56

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	74.10	74.10
Total — Recreation Expenditures		\$ 676.66

UNCLASSIFIED

INSURANCE

Workmen's Compensation and Public Liability	2,366.36	
Buildings — Blanket Policy	2,346.30	
Vehicles — Fire and Theft	41.20	
Vehicles — Liability	2,092.03	
School — Liability	43.24	
Clerk's Bond	5.00	
Collector's Bond and Burglary Insurance	296.00	
Treasurer's Bond and Burglary Insurance	212.00	
1956 Treasurer's Bond	139.50	
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		7,541.63

MEMORIAL DAY

Band	196.00	
Flowers — Wreaths — Flags	98.00	
Speaker and Music	39.00	
Refreshments	57.80	
Printing	10.00	
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		400.80

TOWN REPORT

Printing	961.75	
Delivering	62.00	
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		1,023.75

MANSFIELD FUND

Concert	200.00	
Picnic	970.87	
Thanksgiving and Christmas	400.00	
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		1,570.87

Total — Unclassified Expenditures	\$ 10,537.05
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PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

ELECTRIC LIGHT

Salaries

Willis W. Esty, Manager	5,200.00
Clerk	2,496.00

Commissioners

Frank Dow	200.00
John Muzichuk	200.00
Lansing English	200.00

8,296.00

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Energy

Merrimack-Essex Electric Co.	101,570.30
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	210.16

101,780.46

Labor

Material	12,637.90
Office Expenses	1,942.30
Insurance	1,093.64
Truck Maintenance	1,365.94
Depreciation	8,109.27
Line Clearance	1,487.90
Construction	3,000.00

29,636.95

DEPRECIATION FUND

Poles and Wire 2,567.73

Total — Electric Light \$158,632.14

WATER DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Commissioners

Benjamin K. Richardson	100.00
Rudolph Angers	100.00
Roger M. Peabody	100.00

300.00

Expenses

Materials	193.63
Moving Hydrants	400.00

593.63

893.63

Total Expenditures

Public Services Enterprises

\$159,525.77

CEMETERIES

Salaries

Commissioners

Richard W. Maxwell	20.00
Michael Lavorgna	20.00
Lawrence Tinkham	20.00

Supt. of Burials

Charles W. Baker	30.00
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90.00

Expenses

Labor	4,680.89
Truck Hire	130.00
Supplies	127.09
Water	4.66
Opening Graves	977.63
Hot Topping Avenues	500.00
New Section	271.30

6,691.57 6,781.57

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

LOANS

School Addition Loan 1950	10,000.00	
School Addition Loan 1956	10,000.00	
Fire-Highway Building Loan	5,000.00	
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INTEREST

School Addition Loan 1950	2,240.00	
School Addition Loan 1956	6,480.00	
Fire-Highway Building Loan	506.25	
	<hr/>	9,226.25
Total — Municipal Indebtedness		\$ 34,226.25

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Auditing Municipal Accounts	1,070.56	
State Parks and Reservations	912.23	
County Tax	8,789.40	
Dog Licenses to County	963.50	
Withholding Tax Deductions	18,265.55	
Retirement Fund Assessment	5,049.66	
Retirement Fund Deductions	3,647.38	
Blue Cross Deductions	2,542.85	
Meter Deposits	695.00	
Beverage Licenses	10.00	
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TRUST

Deposit of Cemetery		
Endowment Funds	1,210.00	
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Total — Agency and Trust		<hr/> \$ 43,156.13
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REFUNDS

1956 Excise Tax	475.75		
1957 Real Estate Tax	449.34		
1957 Excise Tax	1,009.54		
1957 Poll Tax	8.00		
Departmental	17.27		
		1,959.90	
			1,959.90
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Total — Expenditures			\$874,348.44
Cash Balance December 31, 1957			115,243.54
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			\$989,591.98

TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE FUND

Health Department	500.00	
Opening Graves	177.63	
Elections and Registrations	148.01	
Water Department	150.00	
Memorial Hall Expenses	102.90	
Police Expenses	45.52	
Police Wages	41.30	
Memorial Day	80	
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		1,166.16

Recapitulation of Appropriations, Transfers and Expenditures

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balances
Moderator, Salary			
Finance Committee,			
Expenses	100.00	15.00	85.00
Selectmen, Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Expenses	500.00	439.92	60.08
Clerk, Salary	350.00	350.00	
Accountant, Salary	1,400.00	1,400.00	
Expenses	100.00	86.65	13.35
Treasurer, Salary	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Expenses	1,156.00	1,153.21	2.79
Tax Title Expenses	400.00	346.66	53.34
Collector, Salary	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Expenses	965.00	960.41	4.59
Assessors, Salaries	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Expenses	850.00	748.97	101.03
Revaluation Committee,			
Expenses	100.00		100.00*
Counsel, Salary	800.00	800.00	
Expenses	100.00	48.00	52.00
Clerk, Salary	400.00	400.00	
Expenses	655.00	557.65	97.35
Elections & Registrations,			
Salaries	140.00	140.00	
Expenses	565.00		
Transfer	148.01	713.01	
Planning Board,			
Expenses	400.00	72.50	327.50
Town Hall, Salary	480.00	480.00	
Expenses	650.00	634.51	15.49
Special	250.00	223.00	27.00
Memorial Hall, Salary	360.60	360.00	
Expenses	1,800.00		
Transfer	102.90	1,902.90	
Special	275.00	174.03	100.97
Oil Burner	495.00	495.00	
Constable, Salary	35.00	35.00	

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balances
Police-Chief, Salary		4,680.00	4,680.00	
Wages	2,800.00			
Transfer	41.30	2,841.30	2,841.30	
Expenses	2,216.70			
Transfer	45.52	2,262.22	2,262.22	
Car		1,100.00	1,094.75	5.25
Radio		670.00	670.00	
Civil Defense, Expenses		100.00	84.10	15.90
Fire, Salaries		2,575.00	2,523.96	51.04
Expenses		7,755.00	7,671.76	83.24
Truck		19,500.00	19,486.82	13.18
Building Inspector, Salary		500.00	500.00	
Expenses		200.00	200.00	
Board of Appeals, Expenses		300.00	254.10	45.90
Wire Inspector, Salary		300.00	300.00	
Expenses		125.00	125.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures,				
Salary		125.00	125.00	
Expenses		75.00	75.00	
Moth, Expenses		1,200.00	1,183.57	16.43
Tree Warden, Expenses		1,300.00	1,298.15	1.85
Dutch Elm Disease Control		1,300.00	1,298.88	1.12
New Trees		300.00	296.40	3.60
Dog Officers, Salary		100.00	100.00	
Expenses		125.00	122.00	3.00
Board of Health, Salaries		320.00	320.00	
Expenses	2,850.00			
Transfer	500.00	3,350.00	3,261.35	88.65
Dental Clinic		1,500.00	1,289.90	210.10
Inspector of Cattle,				
Salary		200.00	200.00	
Expenses		100.00	95.50	4.50
Inspector of Slaughtering, Salary		100.00	100.00	
Community Health Program		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Road Machinery Fund,				
Balance	2,813.07			
Receipts	4,330.40	7,143.47	4,251.47	2,892.00*

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balances
Highway, Expenses		5,000.00	4,412.44	587.56
Sweeper		1,050.00	1,050.00	
Sander		2,000.00	1,942.75	57.25
Storm Drains		2,025.42	1,796.41	229.01
Chapter 81	4,950.00			
State	9,075.00	14,025.00	14,025.00	
Chapter 90 Construction		8,423.29	7,459.30	963.99*
Chapter 90 Maintenance		3,000.00	3,000.00	
Peabody St. Bridge		23,500.00	18,733.30	4,766.70*
Mill St. Bridge		3,500.00	3,309.43	190.57
Mt. Vernon St. Special		2,000.00		2,000.00*
Essex St. Land Takings		624.95		624.95*
Snow Removal		10,000.00	9,688.46	311.54
Street Lighting		4,000.00	4,000.00	
Public Welfare, Salaries		800.00	800.00	
Expenses		200.00	78.75	121.25
General Relief, Aid		6,000.00	4,467.08	1,532.92
Old Age Assistance,				
Aid	32,500.00			
Refunds	218.00	32,718.00	30,542.89	2,175.11
Federal Grant		20,080.48	12,800.30	7,280.18*
Aid Dependent Children, Aid		5,500.00	4,322.83	1,177.17
Federal Grant		4,223.17	3,078.44	1,144.73*
Disability Assistance,				
Aid	2,000.00			
Refund	2.50	2,002.50	1,923.21	79.29
Federal Grant		1,174.19	1,078.99	95.20*
Central Essex Welfare District		1,006.00	1,006.00	
Veterans' Agent, Salary		250.00	250.00	
Expenses		50.00	19.50	30.50
Veterans' Aid	6,000.00			
Refund	156.00	6,156.00	5,953.36	202.64
School Salaries		86,548.24	86,548.24	
Expenses		70,836.76	70,808.68	28.08
Supt. out of State Travel		200.00	165.54	34.46
Regional School District		52,634.21	52,634.21	
School Addition		180,086.18	162,335.05	17,751.13*
Expenses		869.28		869.28*

	Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balances
School Lunch	20,468.92	18,661.14	1,807.78*
Federal Grant	1,892.79	1,514.00	378.78*
Vocational Education	1,000.00	812.05	187.95
Library, Salaries	1,900.00	1,875.50	24.50
Expenses	3,368.76	3,336.19	32.57
Park, Expenses	900.00	602.56	297.44
Christmas Lighting	75.00	74.10	.90
Retirement Assessment	5,049.66	5,049.66	
Memorial Day	400.80	400.80	
Printing Town Reports	1,025.00	1,023.75	1.25
Insurance	5,371.25	5,310.10	61.15
Motor Vehicle Liability	2,100.00	2,092.03	7.97
East St. Land Purchase	500.00		500.00*
Electric Light, Salaries	8,296.00	8,296.00	
Wages	17,000.00	16,351.00	649.00
Energy	101,780.46	101,780.46	
Expenses	18,067.02	17,449.05	313.51
Depreciation	12,494.08	2,567.73	9,926.35*
Line Clearance	1,500.00	1,487.90	12.10
Construction	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Emergency Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00
Water, Salaries	300.00	300.00	
Expenses	650.00	593.63	50.37
Cemetery, Salaries	90.00	90.00	
Expenses	4,200.00		
Income	743.10	4,943.10	4,942.64
Graves	800.00		
Transfer	177.63	977.63	977.63
Hot Top	500.00	500.00	
New Section	285.60	271.30	14.30*
Municipal Indebtedness,			
Loans	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Interest	9,426.25	9,226.25	200.00

* Balances carried forward

Balance

Sheet

1957

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1957—GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$115,243.54	Lands Low Value Fund	84.84
Petty Cash Advance	300.00	Lots and Graves Fund	905.00
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		Mansfield Fund Interest	1,598.10
Taxes—1957		Ambulance Fund	228.80
Personal Property	208.41	Highway Fund (Chap. 718)	500.00
Real Estate	13,931.15	Road Machinery Fund	2,892.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	5,606.34	Electric Light Dept.	
Farm Animal Excise	21.25	Meter Deposits	990.00
Tax Titles and Possessions		Depreciation Fund	9,926.35
Tax Titles	4,545.64	Surplus	16,445.75
Tax Title Possessions	2,992.32	Appropriation Balances	
Departmental		Non Revenue	27,372.10
Public Welfare	1,162.66	School Addition	41,397.12
Old Age Assistance	1,022.73	Fire-Highway Building	402.01
Aid Dependent Children	835.45	Reserve Fund Overlay Reserve	1,983.32
Public Health	199.29	Reserved for Petty Cash Advance	2,385.33
Municipal Light		Tailings—Uncashed Checks	2,853.53
Rates	8,726.37	Blue Cross	300.00
Miscellaneous	231.14	Revenue reserved until collected	148.61
Aid to Highways		Departmental	.30
State	12,755.00	Tax Title	3,220.13
County	2,450.00	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	7,537.96
Underestimates		Farm Animal Excise	5,606.34
Essex Sanatorium	2,686.22	Aid to Highways	21.25
State Parks and		Municipal Light	15,205.00
Reservations	41.92	Surplus Revenue	8,957.51
County Tax	1,440.72		39,361.40
1957 Overlay	559.60		53,745.96
	4,728.46		
	<u>\$174,959.75</u>		<u>\$174,959.75</u>

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1957—DEBT AND TRUST ACCOUNTS

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$323,000.00

LIABILITIES

School Addition Loan (1950)

\$118,000.00

School Addition Loan (1956)

170,000.00

Fire-Highway Building Loans

20,000.00

Fire Truck

15,000.00

\$323,000.00

\$323,000.00

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

In custody of Town Treasurer

\$ 40,667.87

In custody of Library Trustees

8,842.70

In custody of Naunkeag Trust Co.

10,108.60

David Cummings Fund

\$ 6,543.84

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

34,124.03

Charles L. Flint Library Fund

5,784.97

Mary E. Emerson Book Fund

3,057.73

B. F. Emerson Library Fund

10,108.60

\$ 59,619.17

\$ 59,619.17

PAYROLL ANALYSIS

HIGHWAY AND PARK

	Labor	Truck
Charles Baker	179.95	
Lawrence Barthelemy	10.00	
Antonio Blais	20.00	
Leopold Blais	2,872.90	
Opal Blais		1,008.50
Max Breau	30.00	
Raymond Colby	3,633.50	
Ralph Currier	39.20	
Ernest Drew	15.60	
James Donovan	568.70	
Robert Fuller	3,220.30	
Raymond Gould		208.00
John Hocter, Jr.	21.25	
John Hocter	4,364.00	
William Hocter	40.00	
William Johnson	20.70	
James Kent	15.60	
Ted Klowoski		826.00
Allan Marshall	3,365.30	
Arthur Nichols	9.50	
James Ogden		212.00
Allie Paige	9.80	
Marshall Pool	27.50	
William Poor	96.25	
Edward Richardson	62.10	
Frank Silva	8.75	
Gordon Sheldon		332.00
Frank Sullivan	9.80	

CEMETERY

Charles Baker	2,509.97	130.00
Clarence Baker	11.20	
Vernon Coffin	365.00	
Ralph Currier	365.00	
Daniel Hagan	230.00	
Allie Paige	1,193.13	
James Peart	510.00	
Frank Sullivan	270.00	

ELECTRIC LIGHT

Charles Clinch	4,681.47
Richard Collins	14.25
Ralph Currier	48.00
James Donovan	326.40
Daniel Hagan	24.00
William Johnson	12.00
Harold Moore	156.00
George Nash	20.00
James Ogden	4.50
• Carl Peterson	3,415.68
Joseph Pickard	4,269.00
Edward Richardson	12.00
Carl Shuman	14.25
Lawrence Tinkham	6.75
R. F. Wallace	18.00
Wilbur Witham	4,292.00

FORESTRY

Charles Baker	90.00
Raymond Colby	127.60
Ralph Currier	84.00
James Donovan	709.70
Raymond Gould	4.50
Daniel Hagan	66.00
Richard Hardy	12.00
William Johnson	163.20
Allen Marshall	161.10
Arthur Nichols	110.00
William Ogden	13.20
Edward Richardson	442.50
Frank Sullivan	18.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Edward H. Leary, Treasurer in account with the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts.

Balance of cash in treasury, January 1, 1957	\$115,409.13
Receipts for the year 1957	874,182.85
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Total Receipts	\$989,591.98
 Payments for the year 1957	 \$874,348.44
Balance of cash in treasury December 31, 1957	115,243.54
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Total	\$989,591.98

CASH IN BANKS

Danvers National Bank, Danvers, Mass.	\$ 32,288.74
Merchant's-Warren National Bank, Salem, Mass.	73,048.78
Danvers Savings Bank, Danvers, Mass.	2,113.13
Undeposited Cash	7,792.89
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Total Cash	\$115,243.54

A complete report of all Trust Funds in my custody is shown on the following pages.

For the cooperation and support of the Town Officers, Committees and Citizens, I wish to express my thanks and gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer

DAVID CUMMINGS FUND

Balance January 1, 1957	\$5,547.54
United Shoe Machinery Corp. Shares	975.00

RECEIPTS

U.S.M.C. Dividends	\$ 117.02	
Salem Savings Bank Interest	87.44	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Interest	81.69	
Total Receipts		286.15
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Total Income		\$6,808.69
Less Trustee's Orders		264.85
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Adjusted Total Income		\$6,543.84
Salem Savings Bank		2,756.69
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank		2,575.29
Merchant's-Warren National Bank		236.86
United Shoe Machinery Shares		975.00
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		\$6,543.84

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer

Land Owned By the Town of Middleton

December 31, 1957

HASWELL PARK:

Lots 134-135, 138-139, 146, 147, 152, 153, 155, 165, 166, 286-290 inclusive.

MIDDLETON PINES:

Lots 2, 3, 4, 351-355 incl. 456, 457, 504-505, 532-535 incl.

RECREATION PARK:

1st lot of 9th parcel—Book 2253, Page 381

14th parcel—Book 2253 Page 381

2nd pasture, Woodland and Meadow

Elliott Lot, Island Pasture, Smith Lot, Sutton Lot

Lots G & H, Lots 61-68 incl. 69, 70, 128-130 incl. 231-236 incl.

RIVERVIEW PARK:

Lot 78.

SUMMET VIEW PARK:

Lots 28, 30-34 incl. 35, 36, 51, 57, 58, 91-93 incl. 94-97 incl., 136-148 incl. 149, 150, 151, 152, 153-156 incl. 157-163 incl. 164-169 incl. 212, 213, 215-218 incl. 219-221 incl. 238, 239, 242-251 incl. 257-270 incl. 279-285 incl. 288-301 incl. 307, 308, 311-318 incl. 326-337 incl. 344-371 incl. 376, 378-382 incl. 385-398 incl. 322, 323, 324.

WOODLAND PARK:

Lots 107, 108, 109-112 incl. 113-117 incl. 135-138 incl. 143, 144, 332, 575, 576.

MISCELLANEOUS:

G. A. Fuller, Meadow, 14 Acres (Cranberry bog)

Joseph Whittier Estate, Woodland (Approx. 8 Acres)

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer

Cemetery Endowment Account

TOWN OF MIDDLETON

Danvers Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Atwood, Frank L.	360	\$124.38	\$4.07	\$3.00	\$125.45
Averill, Joseph	346	102.89	3.35	3.00	103.24
Berry, Catherine A.	112	143.21	4.69	4.00	143.90
Berry, William	128	106.28	3.46	3.00	106.74
Brown, Sarah F. ½ of	434	58.69	1.90	1.00	59.59
Bryer, Allen D.	526	221.71	7.26	4.00	224.97
Butler, Warren ½ of	916	81.20	2.66	2.00	81.86
Carleton, Loring	34	442.35	14.47	8.00	448.82
Curtis, Phebe		59.03	1.92	1.00	59.95
Dame, John	284	170.71	5.58	4.00	172.29
Demsey, J. W.	156	105.06	3.44	3.00	105.50
Dennett, Ruth H.	24	83.82	2.74	2.00	84.56
Eaton, Irvin L.	168	80.33	2.62	2.00	80.95
Emerson, B. F.	214	169.60	5.55	5.00	170.15
Emerson, Eunice W.	166	107.42	3.52	3.00	107.94
Esty & Hutchinson	48	106.54	3.48	3.00	107.02
Esty, Allena	258	246.72	8.07	5.00	249.79
Estey, Anne E.	572	104.41	3.40	3.00	104.81
Evans, George	604	158.84	5.19	4.00	160.03
Flint, George B.	152	75.46	2.46	2.00	75.92
Fowler, Alonzo	12	289.06	9.47	5.00	293.53
Frame, L. Marie	516	134.85	4.43	4.00	135.67
Fuller, Daniel	626	105.53	3.45	3.00	105.98
Fuller, Lida A.	686	106.40	3.46	3.00	106.86
Fuller, Sophronia	236	256.15	8.37	5.00	259.52
Fuller, William H.	336	104.75	3.42	3.00	105.17
Gifford, William	180	106.31	3.46	3.00	106.77
Gilbert, James	188	106.89	3.48	3.00	107.37
Godfrey, William R.	714	102.93	3.35	3.00	103.28
Goodwin, Ira E.	380	117.43	3.84	3.00	118.27
Gould, Eben	514	108.74	3.55	3.00	109.29
Gould, Porter I.	414	106.56	3.48	3.00	107.04
Graves, Porter & Rich	586	105.10	3.44	3.00	105.54
Graves, D. Augustine	234	105.09	3.44	3.00	105.53
Ham & King	356	139.19	4.56	4.00	139.75
Hutchinson, Caroline	253	104.62	3.42	3.00	105.04
Hutchinson, Elisha P.	740	104.88	3.42	3.00	105.30

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Salem Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Johnson, Frank E.	804	123.35	4.04	3.00	124.39
Leavitt, Jerome	62	171.30	5.60	4.00	172.90
McIntire, Abraham S.	132	84.15	2.75	2.00	84.90
McIntire, Annie M.	338	113.49	3.71	3.00	114.20
Milbury, J. Wesley	706	107.22	3.50	3.00	107.72
Moore & Cram	54	165.07	5.40	4.00	166.47
Peabody & Hutchinson	182-D	168.32	5.50	4.00	169.82
Peabody, Andrew	56	105.21	3.44	3.00	105.65
Peabody, John L.	196	107.70	3.53	3.00	108.22
Peabody, William M.		107.65	3.52	3.00	108.17
Peabody, Samuel M.	204	106.51	3.48	3.00	106.99
Peabody, S. Marie	584	109.17	3.57	3.00	109.74
Pike, Sarah I.	412	145.17	4.75	4.00	145.92
Phelps, William A.	148	106.07	3.46	3.00	106.53
Richardson, Eli	303	171.39	5.60	5.00	171.99
Richardson, Lucy G.	80	549.31	17.99	10.00	557.30
Russell, George	114	161.63	5.29	4.00	162.92
Russell, Harriett W.		108.09	3.53	3.00	108.62
Russell, Persis B.	430	243.54	7.97	5.00	246.51
Sargent, James A.	750	109.82	3.58	3.00	110.40
Skinner & Wilkins	400	109.57	3.58	3.00	110.15
Smith, E. D. & M. J.	436	105.49	3.45	3.00	105.94
Smith, Sarah F.	102	177.01	5.79	5.00	177.80
Soper, Polly A.	298	105.89	3.45	3.00	106.34
Stiles, David		177.60	5.81	5.00	178.41
Stiles, Farnham	10	105.85	3.45	3.00	106.30
Tedford, Joseph A.	810	167.30	5.47	4.00	168.77
Thomas, Hannah A.	64	83.50	2.72	2.00	84.22
Thompson, C. E. & E. L.	392	264.73	8.65	5.00	268.38
Tufts, Wilbur	486	105.03	3.44	3.00	105.47
Tyler, Ansel P.	540	192.88	6.29	5.00	194.17
Weston, Samuel W.	36	216.95	7.09	5.00	219.04
Wellman, John R.	40	231.43	7.57	5.00	234.00
Whitman, Carl N.	116	108.13	3.53	3.00	108.66
Wilkins, Luther	176	186.00	6.08	5.00	187.08
Wilkins, Henry A.	254	106.81	3.48	3.00	107.29
Wilkins, Timothy	50	111.08	3.63	3.00	111.71
		<u>10,572.93</u>	<u>345.55</u>	<u>262.00</u>	<u>10,656.48</u>

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Salem Five Cent Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Atwood, Morrison	128	\$170.84	\$5.57	\$4.00	\$172.41
Averill, Edward P.	52	105.82	3.45	3.00	106.27
Barnaby, Caroline V.	646	117.85	3.83	3.00	118.68
Batchelder, Harold T.	528	88.08	2.88	2.00	88.96
Berry, Mattie A.	530	212.79	6.96	N.C.	219.75
Brown, Carl A.	914	162.83	5.31	4.00	164.14
Coffin, Edward ½ of	12B	102.89	3.35	N.C.	106.24
Conlon, Mary A.		107.90	3.51	3.00	108.41
Curry, Mary A.	342	110.07	3.59	3.00	110.66
Curtis, John A.	296	264.57	8.65	2.00	271.22
Day, Mrs. Geo. E. ½ of	588	58.33	1.90	1.00	59.23
Day, Weaver	248	163.07	5.33	4.00	164.40
Esty, Wills W. ½ of	25½B	102.64	3.35	N.C.	105.99
Evans, Otis	409½	162.83	5.31	4.00	164.14
Fuller, Agnes E.	826	208.93	6.83	4.00	211.76
Fuller, Jeremiah	76	144.14	4.71	4.00	144.85
Fuller, Luella F.	158	162.44	5.31	4.00	163.75
Fuller, Timothy & Lydia	268	106.34	3.48	3.00	106.82
Fuller & Taylor	644	160.56	5.25	4.00	161.81
Goswiler, Carl R.	716	170.44	5.57	4.00	172.01
Hall, E. P.	106	109.00	3.56	3.00	109.56
Harlow, Levi F.	684	109.87	3.57	3.00	110.44
Haskell, Ella C.	390	216.86	7.09	4.00	219.95
Higgins, Lewis S.	264	111.41	3.64	3.00	112.05
Hobbs, Kathryn ½ of	588	58.48	1.90	1.00	59.38
Hubbard, Alton W. .. ½ of	24B	102.38	3.35	N.C.	105.73
Hutchinson & Russell	18	106.08	3.46	3.00	106.54
Jones, John E.	372	107.15	3.50	3.00	107.65
Jones, Samuel	290	107.42	3.51	3.00	107.93
Morrell, Henry ½ of	24½B	102.89	3.35	N.C.	106.24
Mosher, William	850	158.71	5.19	4.00	159.90
Peabody, A. W.	90	263.54	8.61	5.00	267.15
Peabody, Dean	344	104.69	3.41	3.00	105.10
Peabody, John W.	192	160.60	5.25	4.00	161.85
Peabody, Laura E.	534	105.19	3.43	3.00	105.62
Putney, Lucretia	104	159.05	5.20	4.00	160.25
Richardson, Benj. F.	164	105.52	3.45	3.00	105.97
Richardson, Daniel Rev.	410	107.46	3.51	3.00	107.97

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Salem Five Cent Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Richardson, Daniel		106.64	3.48	3.00	107.12
Riley & Daniels	32	158.71	5.19	4.00	159.90
Russell, Eleanor	618	213.29	6.97	N.C.	220.26
Seaver, Percy E.	26	209.07	6.85	N.C.	215.92
Sokolowski, Katherine ½ of	21B	104.53	3.41	N.C.	107.94
Stiles, Hiram A.	30	170.21	5.56	4.00	171.77
Stiles, Osgood F.	424	170.76	5.57	4.00	172.33
Stiles, Sumner P.	482	170.23	5.56	4.00	171.79
Taylor, Benj. H.	334	105.97	3.45	3.00	106.42
White, Henry F.	208	87.22	2.84	2.00	88.06
Wilkins, Henry & Caroline ..	440	335.37	10.97	6.00	340.34
Wilkins, Edward	172	201.87	6.60	4.00	204.47
Wilkins, Samuel H.	230	106.42	3.48	3.00	106.90
Young, John	278	106.00	3.46	3.10	106.36
		7,425.95	242.51	148.10	7,520.36

Salem Savings Bank

Anderson, E. C. ½ of	23	\$100.27	\$3.27	N.C.	\$103.54
Baker, Charles, Jr.	398	157.70	5.15	4.00	158.85
Barnaby, John	308	156.68	5.12	4.00	157.80
Bastable, Arthur	10	156.86	5.12	5.00	156.98
Berry, Milton	718	154.61	5.05	5.00	154.66
Bewsher, Rhoda	508	216.52	7.09	5.00	218.61
Boghossian, Leon ½ of	B15½	80.81	2.63	2.00	81.44
Boodro, Austin	B15	82.14	2.68	2.00	82.82
Bradstreet, H. H.	1	156.90	5.12	5.00	157.02
Bryer, Lillian	606	703.72	23.04	10.00	716.76
Carter, Mary A.	137	157.61	5.15	5.00	157.76
Collins, Milton E. ½ of	20B	100.54	2.94	N.C.	103.48
Curtis, Philip	B13	156.73	5.12	4.00	157.85
Darling, Lyman	438	154.06	5.04	5.00	154.10
Davadian, Enoick	16½	100.54	3.29	N.C.	103.83
Densmore, Stanley	B3	154.71	5.05	5.00	154.76
Derrah, James Henry	288	107.71	3.51	2.00	109.22
Donovan, Patrick ½ of	B21	106.38	3.48	3.00	106.86
Dow, Frank E. ½ of	B23	100.27	3.27	N.C.	103.54
Downing, William	625	114.48	3.74	3.00	115.22

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Salem Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Duncan, Reuban	489	154.31	5.04	5.00	154.35
Emerson, Ellen M.	138	104.24	3.40	3.00	104.64
Emerson, Henry P.	496	563.71	18.45	10.00	572.16
Esty, Loren G.	538	124.46	4.07	4.00	124.53
Esty, R. H.	484	212.54	6.94	N.C.	219.48
Firman, Aaron G.	23-24	56.85	1.84	1.00	57.69
Fletcher, Samuel A.	130	104.01	3.40	3.00	104.41
Flint, Harley A.	256	103.32	3.36	3.00	103.68
Frost, Charles A.	240	181.56	5.93	5.00	182.49
Fuller, Abijah	110	181.05	5.91	5.00	181.96
Gifford, George ½ of	10B	103.37	3.38	3.00	103.75
Gould, Andrew	352	60.09	1.97	1.00	61.06
Gould, Mary	422	209.48	6.85	6.00	210.33
Gould, Walter	578	154.81	5.05	5.00	154.86
Graham, Benj., Edythe	139	154.72	5.05	5.00	154.77
Harris, A. H. ½ of	B19	82.14	2.68	1.00	83.82
Hatch, Herbert O.	642	154.82	5.05	5.00	154.87
Hilton, Ellen J.	492½	176.73	5.77	5.00	177.50
Hoelzel, William R.	5&6	156.01	5.11	5.00	156.12
Howe, Benj.		154.70	5.05	5.00	154.75
Illingworth	822	166.24	5.43	1.00	170.67
Illingsworth, R.	915	80.01	2.62	2.00	80.63
Jones, John & Mary	802	209.70	6.86	6.00	210.56
Jopp, C. B.	912	81.48	2.65	2.00	82.13
Leary, Edward H.	B25	100.00	2.99	N.C.	102.99
LeBeau, Ernest	B17½	79.83	2.60	2.00	80.43
Lee & Meade	82	154.05	5.04	5.00	154.09
Leonard & Henderson	143 & 141	322.53	10.54	7.00	326.07
Lever, William	18	154.28	5.04	5.00	154.32
Lord, William J. ½ of	6½				100.00
Mack, Roy ½ of	824	100.54	3.29	N.C.	103.83
Manoogan, Gregory .. ½ of	924½		1.35	N.C.	101.35
Martin, William	908	154.29	5.04	5.00	154.33
Masse, Chester K. ½ of	920				100.00
Maxwell, Richard N.	902	219.96	7.18	2.00	225.14
McGlaughlin, Benj. T.		157.15	5.13	5.00	157.28
McKenne, Thomas H.	532	156.86	5.12	5.00	156.98
Metcalf, John	624	154.77	5.05	5.00	154.82
Millett, Annie L.		156.75	5.12	5.00	156.87

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Salem Savings Bank

Name	Lot No.	Balance 1956	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1957
Nash, Harold	B11	80.78	2.63	2.00	81.41
Nelson, Roy	910	154.74	5.05	5.00	154.79
Paine, Walter	7	155.59	5.09	5.00	155.68
Peabody, Merrill	754	106.22	3.46	3.00	106.68
Peabody, Lois C. ½ of	6		1.35	N.C.	101.35
Peart, James M.	22	201.08	6.59	N.C.	207.67
Perkins, William	643	220.11	7.20	5.00	222.31
Phelps, Annie H.	146	179.46	5.87	5.00	180.33
Richardson, Mabel	250	161.01	5.27	5.00	161.28
Robertson, Mary D.	242	107.71	3.51	2.00	109.22
Russell, Serena	477	157.02	5.13	5.00	157.15
Sanford, Radford, Martin ..	580	157.42	5.13	4.00	158.55
Sanford, William	11½	81.17	2.65	2.00	81.82
Sheldon, Alonzo	682	159.44	5.21	4.00	160.65
Sheldon, Lucy	212	162.44	5.31	4.00	163.75
Shepard, Augustus	18	213.71	6.99	5.00	215.70
Smith, George	764	112.64	3.67	3.00	113.31
Stewart, Richard	676	153.44	5.01	5.00	153.45
Symonds, Charles H.	448	106.38	3.48	3.00	106.86
Thatcher, Howland	8		1.08	N.C.	201.08
Townsend, Edward	468	157.26	5.13	4.00	158.39
Townsend, Ernest	454	157.26	5.13	4.00	158.39
Tyler, Alma		155.74	5.09	4.00	156.83
Tyler, Henrietta		155.74	5.09	4.00	156.83
Waitt, Richard ½ of	B10	104.69	3.41	N.C.	108.10
Watkins, Charles H. .. ½ of	924		1.90	N.C.	101.90
Wiggins, Alexander	806	191.58	6.25	3.00	194.83
Wilkins, Charles	459	159.18	5.20	4.00	160.38
Wilkins, Alvin	218	157.08	5.13	4.00	158.21
Wilkins, Susan A.		107.16	3.50	3.00	107.66
Wilkins & Young	614	162.21	5.30	3.00	164.51
Williams, Percy	B17	80.24	2.62	2.00	80.86
Young, William H. ½ of	B18	78.69	2.55	2.00	79.24
		13,197.79	436.19	310.00	14,023.98
Merriam Cemetery		849.70	27.82	13.00	864.52
Oakdale Cemetery		829.70	88.99	10.00	1,058.69

Reports

of the

Various Departments

1957

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY**Treasurer's Report**

Appropriation for Salaries		\$ 1,900.00
Salaries:		
Librarian	\$ 900.00	
Assistants	615.50	
Janitor	360.00	
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Total Salaries		\$ 1,875.50
Returned to Revenue		\$ 24.50
Appropriation for Expenses	\$ 2600.00	
Dog Tax	768.76	
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Total		\$ 3,368.76
Expenses:		
Fuel	\$ 386.99	
New Books	195.63	
Electricity	105.84	
Water	9.20	
Insurance	267.62	
Building Maintenance	1,641.63	
Magazines	56.88	
Supplies	94.05	
Equipment	104.65	
Miscellaneous	473.70	
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Total Expenses		\$ 3,336.19
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Returned to Revenue		\$ 32.57

MARY ESTEY EMERSON FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:

Mary Estey Emerson Fund, principal \$ 2,500.00

Deposited in Bank, December 31, 1957:

Danvers Savings Bank \$ 3,057.73

B. F. EMERSON TRUST FUND

Received, Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem \$ 382.72

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS

Balance, January 1, 1957	\$ 778.71	
Income:		
Book Fines	\$ 135.00	
B. F. Emerson Fund	382.72	
Charles F. Flint Fund	188.76	
Mary Estey Emerson Fund	75.30	
Insurance Dividend	17.73	
Miscellaneous	16.12	
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Total Income	\$ 815.63	\$ 1,594.34
Expenses:		
New Books	\$ 554.42	
Binding of Books	67.43	
Miscellaneous	7.63	
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Total Expenses		\$ 629.48
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Balance, December 31, 1957		\$ 964.86

CHARLES L. FLINT FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:		
Charles L. Flint Fund, principal		\$ 5,000.00
Deposited in Banks, December 31, 1957:		
Salem 5c Savings Bank	\$ 986.88	
Salem Savings Bank	510.73	
Danvers Savings Bank	1,420.40	
Broadway Savings Bank	1,866.96	
Essex Savings Bank	1,000.00	
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		\$ 5,784.97

Respectfully submitted,

E. O. CAMPBELL, JR.

Treasurer, Library Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Flint Public Library is open two days a week

Tuesday 2:00 to 9:00

Friday 2:00 to 9:00

Work on the pointing up of the outside of the building was continued during the year, leaving the south side and part of the west side to be completed in 1958. Two new peg boards have been placed in the balcony and make the display of material for exhibits easier to arrange. The Trustees Room, where the magazines are kept, is again open as an adult reading room.

There has been an increase in the use of the library during the year, not only in the circulation of books but also in the number of reference questions answered. Due in part to the requirements of those pupils in Salem High School, the questions answered have been more varied than in the past. Books have been purchased to meet this, but more are needed than the budget allows. The first three grades have continued to come to the library for a story hour. A second story hour for slightly older children has been conducted, the first and second Friday afternoons of each month, by a group of 4H Club girls, as a project of their own. Both have helped to create an interest in reading. A few collections of books have been sent to classrooms at the school. Here again it has been found necessary to purchase more books of current interest, especially in the field of science.

The Bookmobile from the State Regional Center in North Reading will make its first stop at the Library, January 21, 1958 to leave a collection of books, which will be changed about every three weeks. It will supplement the Library collection, supplying books the library cannot afford, either because they are too expensive or because we do not purchase too many books that will not be of lasting value. It will still be necessary to purchase current titles for general reading, but mainly those titles which will keep an already good basic collection, for a library of this size, up to its present standard. It would not be a sound policy to lower it because of lack of an increased budget to meet the increase in the price of books. This price is about double that of ten years ago.

The many books that have been presented to the Library are greatly appreciated and have proved useful. In addition to these 28 Pocket Books have been made available by gift and purchase. Many Pocket titles are good and, although the books do not last too

long, make it possible to purchase little used standard titles for the basic collection as well as titles in fields where there are a few steady readers whose need we could not satisfy with the more expensive bound books.

Mrs. Katherine Fairbanks and Mrs. Laurel Oliver have worked at the library during the year. Miss Caroline Knight and Judith Smith have substituted occasionally.

ANNUAL STATISTICS

Volumes in the Library, January 1, 1957	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12,155
Volumes added by purchase	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	358
Volumes added by gift	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	78
Volumes reported discarded	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	56
Volumes in the Library, December 31, 1957	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12,535

Circulation of books, 1957

Juvenile	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,616
Adult	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,507
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8,123
Increase over 1956	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,946
Registration of new borrowers	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	92

Attendance:

During Library Hours	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,325
Story Hours	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	260
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,585

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH TYLER,
Librarian

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen respectfully submit their Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1957:

In its triple capacity as the Board of Selectmen, Board of Health and Licensing Authority, the Board has had a busy and productive year.

Regular meetings of the Board have been held every Tuesday at 8 P.M. in Memorial Hall.

In its capacity as Board of Health, the Town is purchasing land of Stanley Kowalski at Thunder Bridge on East Street for the purpose of establishing beach facilities for the residents of Middleton.

In consequence of complaints regarding the dump facilities on North Main Street, the excessive costs of maintaining same on privately owned property, and its potential danger to the public health and safety, this Board ordered the same closed and have established dumping facilities off River Street which have received the approval of the State Department of Public Health, and will adequately serve the needs of the residents for many years to come. Having acquired the land on a lease basis at \$500. a year and with the gravel and fill available on the land, these facilities can be maintained at considerable savings to the Town, and at the same time satisfactorily fulfill a pressing need which has been and continues to be a seriously acute problem in the surrounding cities and towns.

The Board wishes to take this opportunity to express its appreciation and commend the members of the Dump Committee and Robert Bixby, Engineer-consultant to the Committee, in the thorough and exhaustive effort expended in making this public service a reality.

The Board, in collaboration with Raymond Dower, Jr. and the School Nurse, Irene Richmond, voted to purchase a sufficient number of hypodermic needles and syringes so that school children can be assured sanitary inoculations.

The presentation before the Legislative Committee on banks by Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, David Burns; former President of the Board of Trade, Jack Frost; Town Counsel, Daniel Donovan; and John Muzichuk in an effort to provide Middleton with banking facilities, has borne fruit, and the branch bank of Arlington Trust is expected to open in April, 1958.

The Board of Selectmen held conferences with the Board of Appeals to establish policy and uniformity.

The Mill Street Bridge has been completed, resulting in widening and providing the Town with sturdy, durable construction.

At a Special Town Meeting Wennerberg Road was accepted as a Town way.

The Town is witness to rapid growth of the Town, and the number of homes have increased from 757 in 1950 to 910 at the close of 1957, an increase of 153 homes.

In cooperation with the Board of Trade, attention has been focused on endeavors to bring desirable industry and commercial establishments into Town as a necessary expedient for broadening the tax base and relieving the tax burden on property owners, and to that end the Board has held conferences, and is negotiating a meeting with Richard Preston, former State Commissioner of the Department of Commerce.

The Board wishes to express its deep appreciation for the assistance, cooperation and devotion to public service given so generously by the department heads, by the members, officers and citizens of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

David Burns, Chairman

Manuel Gilboard, Clerk

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

The Town Clerk submits for your approval its Annual Report of Births, Marriages, Deaths, Dog Taxes collected and Licenses issued for the year 1957.

Any errors or omissions should be promptly noted and reported to the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX J. BREAU, JR.

Town Clerk

Marriage Record For 1957

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Feb. 3	Lynn	Ralph Everett Raynard, Jr.	Middleton
		Teresa Videtta	Peabody
Feb. 13	N. Reading	Joseph Samuel Frontiero	Middleton
		Ruth Elizabeth Hackett	Middleton
Feb. 22	Reading	Richard Curtis Spaulding	Topsfield
		Alberta Louise Chute	Middleton
Feb. 10	Middleton	Henry Albert Bouchard	Middleton
		Patricia Ann Knefley	Middleton
Jan. 24	Pawtucket	Eugene Joseph Gould	Middleton
	Rhode Island	Jo Ann Edwyna Juley	Salem, N. H.
Mar. 24	Salem	Kenneth Stanley Bliss	Middleton
		Valerie Ann Kennedy	Salem
Mar. 24	Middleton	John Hunter Glendenning	Arlington
		Doris Evelyn Lovelace	Middleton
Apr. 6	Amesbury	William C. Hunt III	Middleton
		Claire Jane Thibodeau	Haverhill
Apr. 13	Beverly	Arthur Ranford Peart	Middleton
		Florence Ella McCormack	Beverly
May 11	Wilmington	Donald Joseph Burbine	Wilmington
		Betty Jane Sanborn	Middleton
May 12	Salem	Edward A. Leary	Middleton
		Jacqueline Boucher	Salem

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
May 26	Middleton	John Marvin Bishop Joan Gladys Farrell	Middleton Middleton
June 8	Woburn	Thomas C. Sanborn Janet A. Wright	Middleton Reading
June 22	Hudson	Leroy E. Sturtevant, Jr. Beverly M. Munroe	Middleton Berlin
June 25	Malden	Elforest Franklin Kimball Leah J. Chick	Danvers Middleton
June 29	Middleton	Miles James Cares Joanne Germaine Belle	Peabody Middleton
July 7	Middleton	Donald G. Fischer Leontina Pires	Middleton Middleton
Aug. 14	Beverly	Carl Arthur Goodwin Miriam Love Harris	Middleton Beverly
Aug. 25	Middleton	John Dow Surrence Mary Patricia Knowlton	Middleton No. Andover
Sept. 8	Beverly	Earl F. Jones, Jr. Janet A. Crosby	Middleton Beverly
Sept. 28	Middleton	George C. Kimball Patrcia A. Pellicelli	Middleton Middleton
Sept. 22	Peabody	Frank J. Parker Phyllis A. Bulger	Middleton Peabody
Sept. 29	Middleton	Richard C. Clark Barbara T. Levesque	Lynnfield Middleton
Oct. 13	Middleton	Richard W. Sanborn Barbara Burgess	Middleton Middleton
Nov. 30	Ipswich	Edward W. Lyman Joan B. Thomas	Madison, N. H. Middleton

Birth Record For 1957

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 4	Kenneth Lester Roberts	Lester K. Roberts Judith M. Gill
Jan. 8	Robert Edward Kulaga	Thadeus Kulaga Kathleen Callery
Jan. 10	Paul James Gaboriault	Lloyd Albert Gaboriault Beatrice Emely Saulnier

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 18	Debra Ann Baker	Clarence Baker Virginia M. Griffin
Jan. 20	Christine Ann Whelan	Bartholomew J. Whelan Mary Veronica Murphy
Jan. 22	Dana Eugene Clark	Harold Eugene Clark Marjorie Lillian Golding
Feb. 13	Susan Lyn Boltrushek	Alex Boltrushek Audrey O'Donnell
Feb. 16	Roland William Albert Fletcher III	Robert G. Fletcher Selma L. Hall
Feb. 21	Mary Johanna Port	George Edward Port, Jr. Ann Elizabeth Donnelly
Feb. 23	Robert Bruce Murphy	Richard Martin Murphy Lena Ada Roberts
Mar. 5	Lee Anne Kupreance	Leonard W. Kupreance Winifred M. Tobiasz
Mar. 15	Dorcas Ann Margeson	Edward Alvin Margeson Evelyn Mary Spencer
Mar. 16	Cynthia Lou Gates	James Austin Gates, Jr. Martha Jane Foster
Mar. 18	Raymond Francis Flynn	Louis Phillip Flynn Marie Margaret Comeau
Mar. 24	Kim Elizabeth Shuman	Karl A. Shuman Pauline E. Young
Mar. 29	Paula Ann Spear	Charles W. Spear Eleanor B. Carlson
Apr. 10	Victoria Grace Greeke	Wilfred Charles Greeke Muriel Grace Kelsey
Apr. 17	Kathryn Grace Kelly	Robert E. Kelley Rita C. McGilloway
Apr. 20	Richard James Blais	Leopold Simeon Blais Opal Carrie Yerta
Apr. 24	Richard Scot Keep	Frederick Keep Betty Arlene Wickens
May 2	Sarah Ann Odell	Paul Odell Rebecca Symes Williams
May 11	Marianne Amelda Nelson	Frederick R. Nelson Florence Myrtle Caverly
May 19	Ronald Paul Cryan	John Michael Cryan Virginia Edith Johnson
May 22	Richard James White	Richard James White Carolyn Ellen Hughes

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
May 30	Barbara French Kenny	Howard French Kenny, Jr Elizabeth Helen Fargo
June 13	Hans Walter Blumberg	Ludwig Alex Blumberg Mary Rita Parsons
June 18	Jeanne Ann Rollins	Russell M. Rollins June J. Anderson
June 23	John August Johnson	John Robert Johnson Julia Marie Jones
July 19	Dorothy Ann Skinner	Arthur Roy Skinner Annie Lillian Calder
July 30	Robin Elizabeth Gorman	Robert Ernest Gorman Mary Regina Goudreau
Aug. 10	Annette Marie Angers	Rudolph A. Angers M. Helen Woods
Aug. 12	Donald Curtis Flynn	William Francis Flynn Florence M. Cammett
Aug. 29	Kim Campbell	Elmer O. Campbell, Jr. Page L. Gifford
Oct. 30	Nancy Ellen Gould	Thomas J. Gould Theresa C. Campbell
Nov. 2	Joseph Todd Kenvin	Thomas Charles Kenvin Marguerite A. Verringia
Dec. 16	Judith Ruby Anderson	Robert Anderson Phyllis C. Weeden
Dec. 16	Jean Doris Anderson	Robert B. Anderson Phyllis C. Weeden
Dec. 1	Patricia Ann Rice	Edward L. Rice Gloria H. Anderson
Dec. 28	Peter Alan Madden	Peter Madden Nancy M. Glidden

Record of Resident Deaths For 1957

Date	Name of Deceased	Years	Months	Days
Jan. 11	Theresa M. Ellis	89	—	—
Jan. 13	Leon R. Brown	62	8	13
Jan. 23	Charles Phaneuf	84	7	—
Feb. 6	Sarah H. Gordon	85	—	—
Feb. 13	Vincent J. Perry	46	—	—
Feb. 19	Charles Hadley Watkins	70	—	—
Feb. 23	Luke Kassa (Kasa)	48	—	—
Mar. 12	Julia Marie Jones	72	—	—
Mar. 14	Arthur T. Page	83	—	—
Mar. 25	Nellie C. Howe	92	10	22
Mar. 30	Mary Spencer	57	5	28
Apr. 5	Ronald Nason	61	1	3
Apr. 17	Alfred G. Moore	82	11	10
Apr. 18	Thomas Dane	12	5	15
June 3	Carl Peterson	92	6	4
June 4	Festus Foley	70	—	—
June 5	Elizabeth (Currier) Eaton	71	9	24
June 10	John T. Kulik	68	6	6
June 24	Arthur S. Bastable, Sr.	80	—	—
June 25	Rosalie Baker	66	9	24
July 24	Henry T. Cousins	85	5	19
Aug. 10	James H. Desmond	53	—	—
Aug. 20	Alvah Hartwell Peachey	52	—	—
Aug. 26	Louis LePage	75	—	—
Aug. 29	Edward P. Hines	82	—	—
Sept. 17	George S. Haines	40	11	20
Sept. 22	Richard D. McGill	63	2	7
Sept. 28	John Morrill	92	3	10
Oct. 4	Kim Campbell	—	1	6
Oct. 10	Samuel Wesley Thistle, Jr.	17	1	1
Oct. 22	Ernest P. Goodale	68	4	7
Dec. 9	Thomas D. Matevier	49	—	—
Dec. 12	Charles Pasquale	64	—	—
Dec. 18	Margaret (Jackson) Armitstead	74	7	6
Dec. 19	Winona Josephine Sacherski	33	7	29

38 Non-Resident deaths

1 Stillborn

Any errors or omissions should be promptly noted and reported to the Town Clerk.

LIST OF JURORS

Mr. Charles H. Metcalf,
Assistant Clerk of Courts
Salem, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

The following is a list of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton, in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws:

Name	Street	Occupation
Begg, Joseph F.	Highland Rd.	Attendant
Breau, Max J., Jr.	75 Maple St.	Leather Worker
Collins, Milton E.	Webb St.	Machinist
Doyle, Louis Robert	Old So. Main St.	Service Man
Duclow, Earle F.	King St.	Machine Assembling
Gilboard, Manuel	Maple St.	Store Manager
Hackett, Harry H.	Boston St.	Milkman and Salesman
Murphy, Richard M.	Maple St.	Engineering
Ogden, George B.	East St.	Carpenter
Raynard, Ralph E.	Boston St.	Foreman
Rubchinuk, Fred	Boston St.	Salesman
Silva, Frank M.	Boston St.	Carpenter
Roberts, Elwood N.	Pleasant St.	Chemical Oper.
Ticehurst, Laurence E.	No. Main St.	Elec. Eng.
Welch, Norman D.	No. Main St.	Steamfitter - Plumber

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

David Burns, Chairman

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Board of Selectmen
Middleton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1957:

Permits applied for	75
Permits issued	71
Permits not issued	4
Permits to move building	2
Permits to reshingle roofs	4
Permits to raze buildings	2
Permits for chimneys	2
Jobs on buildings completed	36
Jobs on buildings not completed	25
Estimated value to total permits issued	\$187,050.00
Estimated value of new construction	92,400.00
Estimated value of new construction completed	39,000.00
Estimated value of new construction not completed	53,400.00
Estimated value of remodeling issued	94,650.00
Estimated value of remodeling completed	16,400.00
Estimated value of remodeling not completed	78,250.00
Calls made	878
Amounts collected in fees	\$193.00

I wish to thank the town officials and the general public for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL F. JONES

Building Inspector

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The following is a recapitulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1957 Tax Rate.

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Appropriations	\$540,412.62
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds	55,282.76
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years	32.93
State Parks and Reservations	870.31
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,070.56
1956 Underestimate of Cherry Street	278.27
County Tax	7,348.68
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	2,845.50
Underestimated Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	671.54
1957 Overlay	6,810.39
Gross amount to be raised	\$615,623.56

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$ 29,914.18
Corporation Taxes	12,600.60
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	12,231.63
Old Age Tax (Meals) Chap. 64 B. S. 10	1,180.94
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	30,000.00
Licenses	3,800.00
Fines	200.00
Special Assessments Danvers Levy of Taxes	1,200.00
General Government	1,600.00
Protection of Persons and Property	250.00
Health and Sanitation	200.00
Highways	600.00
Charities (Other than Federal Grants)	5,500.00
Old Age Assistance (Other than Federal Grants)	24,900.00
Veterans' Services	1,750.00
Schools (Funds from income tax not to be included)	12,500.00
Public Service Enterprises	153,496.00
Cemeteries (Other than trust funds and sale of lots)	650.00

Interest: On taxes and assessments	500.00
State Assistance for School Construction Chap. 645, Acts of 1948	10,002.96
Farm Animal Excise	390.95
Overestimates of previous year to be used as available funds: County Tax	128.95
Amounts to be taken from available funds	67,282.76
Total estimated receipts and available funds	360,878.97
Gross amount to be raised	615,623.56
Total estimated receipts and available funds	360,878.97
Net amount to be raised by taxation	254,744.59
Net amount raised by taxation on personal property	12,873.61
Net amount raised by taxation on real estate	240,025.44
Number of polls assessed 922	1,844.00
Fractional Gain	1.54
	\$254,744.59
TOTAL VALUATION:	
Personal Property	163,995.00
Real Estate	3,057,649.00
1957 Tax Rate	78.50

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. WAKE, SR.

WILBUR A. WITHAM

ERNEST F. LeBEAU

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1956

Balance January 1, 1957	\$ 10,600.79	
Interest	271.03	
Collections		10,557.90
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts		313.92
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	\$ 10,871.82	\$ 10,871.82
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REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1957

1957 Commitment	\$240,026.98	
Refunds	449.34	
Overpayment	157.00	
Interest	38.76	
Collections		218,488.32
Abatements		7,0008.74
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts		1,086.87
Uncollected balance December 31, 1957		14,088.15
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	\$240,672.08	\$240,672.08
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MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1956

Balance January 1, 1957	\$ 5,455.16	
Committed in 1957	5,321.56	
Interest	127.76	
Refunds	475.75	
Collections		10,497.05
Abatements		883.18
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	\$ 11,380.23	\$ 11,380.23
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FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAXES — 1957

1957 Commitment	\$ 390.95	
Collections		369.70
Uncollected balance December 31, 1957		21.25
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	\$ 390.95	\$ 390.95
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1957

1957 Commitment	\$ 35,097.87	
Interest	82.12	
Refunds	1,009.54	
Collections		28,582.15
Abatements		2,001.04
*Uncollected balance December 31, 1957		5,606.34
	<u>\$ 36,189.53</u>	<u>\$ 36,189.53</u>

* Includes Commitment (December 30th) \$3,103.46

POLL TAXES — 1957

1957 Commitment	\$ 1,848.00	
Interest	1.53	
Overpayment	2.00	
Refunds	6.00	
Collections		1,535.53
Abatements		322.00
	<u>\$ 1,857.53</u>	<u>\$ 1,857.53</u>

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1956

Balance January 1, 1957	\$ 576.00	
Interest	22.53	
Collections		598.53
	<u>\$ 598.53</u>	<u>\$ 598.53</u>

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1957

1957 Commitment	\$ 12,873.61	
Interest	2.16	
Collections		12,628.11
Abatements		39.25
Uncollected balance December 31, 1957		208.41
	<u>\$ 12,875.77</u>	<u>\$ 12,875.77</u>

SUMMARY AND COMPARISON
COMMITMENTS and COLLECTIONS 1956 - 1957

	Commitment 1956	Commitment 1957	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$182,313.41	\$240,026.98	\$ 57,713.57
Excise Taxes	30,608.99	40,419.43	9,810.44
Poll Taxes	1,810.00	1,848.00	38.00
Personal Property Taxes	12,029.76	12,873.61	843.85
Farm Animal Excise	None	390.85	390.95
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Total Commitments	\$226,762.16	\$295,558.97	\$ 68,796.81
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	Collections 1956	Collections 1957	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$175,175.68	\$229,046.22	\$ 52,870.54
Excise Taxes	25,558.50	39,079.20	13,520.70
Poll Taxes	1,499.43	1,535.53	36.10
Personal Property Taxes	12,896.09	13,226.64	330.55
Farm Animal Excise	None	369.70	369.70
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	\$215,129.70	\$283,257.29	\$ 68,127.59
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SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	1956	1957	Increase
Real Estate	1173	1214	41
Excise	1381	1742	361
Poll	905	924	19
Personal Property	64	61	3*
Farm Animal Excise	None	5	5
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Total	3523	3946	423

* Decrease

During 1957, Tax Commitments increased \$68,796.81 with a corresponding increase in Tax collections which amounted to \$68,127.59.

The total number of accounts handled during the year was 3,946. This total represents an increase of 423 accounts.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER,
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens.

I hereby submit report for the year of 1957.

January, February, March of the past year were very bad months for snow, but ice probably presented more handicap then snow. December followed in much the same order.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Essex street has been excavated and graveled for a distance of 1000 ft. the same distance has been oiled.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

East street seal coated for a distance of .30 and shoulders cut back for .30.

Maple street hottopped were depreciations occur.

Storm Drains

400 ft. of drainage was installed on Maple Street, and 3 catch basins installed to overcome a bad water condition.

CHAPTER 81 MAINTENANCE

The following streets were oiled during summer.

Essex .....	.10
Haswell Park .....	.31
Kenney Rd. ....	.18
Liberty .....	.10
Lowell .....	.24
Pleasant .....	.24
River .....	.10
School .....	.83
Webb .....	.70
Lakeview Rd. ....	.20
Spring Rd. ....	.07
Acorn St. ....	.10
Lakeview Ave. ....	.28
Perkins Rd. ....	.25
Arrow St. ....	.18
Pinedale Rd. ....	.25
Birch Ave. ....	.10
Grove Ave. ....	.05
Oak Ave. ....	.05
Cross St. ....	.05
Juniper Ave. ....	.05

General Highway

Guard Rails on East and rails on all wooden bridges painted during late fall and early summer brush was cut for a distance of 6 ft. on either side of street thus improving general conditions.

Special Town Appropriation

Due to the delapidated condition of the old bridge on Mill street, an entirely new modern wooden bridge was constructed thus ensuring safety for many years to come.

This Project was completed with regular highway workers.

The Highway Surveyor and members of the department wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other Town Departments for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted.

JOHN J. HOCTOR

Highway Surveyor.

TREE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

I am submitting the annual report of the Tree Department for the year of 1957.

Tree work appropriation was expended as follows:

	Trees Removed	Topped	Pruned
Forest Street	6	1	
Essex Street	4		
Liberty Street	5		
Peabody Street	7	2	
East Street	3	1	
Gregory Street	1		
Maple Street	3		
King Street	2		
Pleasant Street	2	1	
Log Bridge Road	4		
River Street	9	3	
Boston Street	2		
Lake Street	2		
Haswell Park	2		
Beattle Road	1		

Construction line clearing was done in conjunction with the Middleton Electric Light Department and Tree Department on the following streets:

Forest Street	Peabody Street
East Street	Maple Street
River Street	North Main Street
Boston Street	

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation given me by the various departments during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES DONOVAN,
Tree Warden

MOTH DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my Annual Report for the Moth Department.

Extensive spraying was applied to the town trees during the year 1957. These sprays were for the control of the Eastern Tent Caterpillars and the Elm Leaf Beetles.

A spot Poison Ivy spray was done throughout the town of Middleton.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES DONOVAN,

Moth Superintendent

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of the Middleton Police Department
for the year ending December 31, 1957.

DEPARTMENT ROSTER

James W. Wentworth, Chief of Police
Lloyd H. Getchell, Sergeant
Regular Specials — William C. Pennock, Arthur G. Doane, Harold
G. Moore, Norman Welch, Robert Hurd, Joseph P. Peters
Special Duty — Philip Dearth, Charles Pasquale

OFFENSE FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Assault and battery	1
Avoiding a taxi fare	1
Breaking and entering	5
Did not keep to right of the middle of the traveled part of the way	1
Disturbing the peace	2
Drunkenness	61
Failure to obey the lawful command of a Police Officer	1
Habitual truant	1
Insane persons	5
Larceny	7
Leaving the scene of an accident after property damage	1
Non-support	2
Operating a motor vehicle without a license	4
Operating a motor vehicle so as to endanger	6
Operating a motor vehicle without authority	6
Operating a motor vehicle after revocation of their license	7
Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor	9
Operating a motor vehicle unregistered	1
Operating a motor vehicle uninsured	1
Refusing to stop for a Police Officer	1
Resisting arrest	1
Speeding	28
Stubborn child	1

Total 153

Arrests made in Middleton by the State Police are listed above also.

DISPOSITIONS

Committed to the Danvers State Hospital	5
Discharged not guilty	6
Dismissed	4
Guilty filed	14
Guilty fined	52
Placed on probation	5
Released	45
Sentenced to the House of Correction	1
Sentenced to Youth Reception Center	3
Sentenced to Bridgewater State Farm	3
Sentenced to Essex Training School Lawrence	1
Suspended from House of Correction	5
Suspended from Youth Reception Center	2
Suspended from Concord Reformatory	5
Turned over to other departments	2

MISCELLANEOUS

Ambulance cases	80
Automobile accidents investigated	53
Booked and warned for speeding	107
Complaints received and investigated	283
Cruiser cases	17
Dogs shot by Police Department	7
Dogs killed by automobiles	13
Escaped patients returned to Danvers State Hospital	6
Firearm permits issued	29
Fire alarms that Police went to	14
Licenses suspended and revoked through the Registry of Motor Vehicles for speeding and etc.	111
Missing and lost persons found	3
Messages delivered	33
Motor vehicles transfers	109
Summons and warrants served	42
Turned over to the Town Treasurer for firearm permits	\$17.50
Stolen property recovered	\$1,512.68

In closing I wish to express my regret of the great loss to the department of the retirement of Joseph Peters, and the death of Charles Pasquale, also the men are to be commended for their prompt response and their efficiency of operation. A sincere thanks is extended to the State Police, officials of the Town of Middleton, and the Board of Selectmen and townspeople. To all those who assisted this department in any way, we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH

Chief of Police

DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer for the year ending
December 31, 1957.

Complaints received and investigated	72
Dogs restrained	17
Dogs killed by automobiles	13
Dogs shot by Police Department	7
Dogs put in pound	16
Dogs returned to rightful owners	3
Reports of dog bites	17
Stray dogs disposed of	16
Poultry and animals killed by dogs	12

In making this report I would like to advise that I have mailed
138 delinquent notices to dog owners for their licenses for 1957.
I wish to notify all dog owners that their dog licenses are due April
1, 1958, and payable to the Town Clerk. In closing again I wish to
extend my appreciation for the cooperation shown by the Board of
Selectmen and all dog owners during the year 1957.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH

Chief of Police

BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

The Board of Appeals wishes to make the following report:

Meetings held	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Applications filed	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26
Hearings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Decisions granted	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Decisions rejected	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Decisions dismissed	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Decisions pending	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Renewals	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

In all cases proper public notice was given and interested parties were notified. Copies of all final decisions and renewals have been filed at the office of the Town Clerk.

The Board wishes at this time to call the attention of the voters to the number of petitions which are being presented to them for their consideration. You will note that over a period of time the number has increased tremendously, and involves much additional work on the part of the Board.

BOARD OF APPEALS

- William H. Sanborn, Chairman
- R. L. S. Marsh, Clerk
- Beumont Hurd
- Frederick Daniels
- Donald Aylward

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners respectfully submits its Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1957.

Regular meetings of the Board have been held in Memorial Hall.

During the year, the primary line on South Main Street was renewed with size 1/0 wire which has three times more current carrying capacity.

On many other streets, we have repaired our lines and relocated our wires and trimmed trees to minimize the line faults and inconvenience to consumers during storms.

Six — 25 KVA R type F.P. capacitors were installed on our line to maintain a constant voltage and raise the power factor.

The street light patrol is used one night each week and proves to be satisfactory.

At several locations transformers were changed and larger ones installed to take care of the increased customer demands.

Street light fixtures have been replaced at various locations, also new ones installed.

We believe that the Townspeople should be acquainted with a fact pertaining to the cost of Municipal Street lighting.

In accordance with Chapter 164, Section 58, of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, the electricity used for street lighting shall be calculated annually, based on the operating expenses of the Department and the number of K.W.H. sold.

In the year 1957, this came to \$4,420.56. Were this service calculated according to the rates of a neighboring private utility, it would have cost the Town, \$7,809.00; thus saving the Town \$3,388.44.

In the year 1957, the Department purchased 5,898,254 KWH at a cost of \$101,780.46, which is an increase of 308,017 KWH over the previous year.

Our line losses were 8.8% or 1.5% less than 1956.

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners wishes to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Departments, and the Citizens for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Electric Light Commissioners
FRANK E. DOW
J. LANSING ENGLISH
J. MUZICHUK

INSPECTOR OF WIRES REPORT

Board of Selectmen

Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I wish to submit my report for the year 1957.

There were 235 permits issued. Forty-eight of these included change of service from 110 to 220 volts due to bad conditions or increase in load. Thirty-seven were wire permits for power oil burners. Eleven were for new homes. One for a dining establishment. Seventeen were temporary services. One for an addition on the school and one for an addition on the Congregational Church.

All jobs have been inspected up to date except approximately seven which are still in the process of construction.

A total of 345 calls have been made since January 1, 1957, covering 1,400 miles.

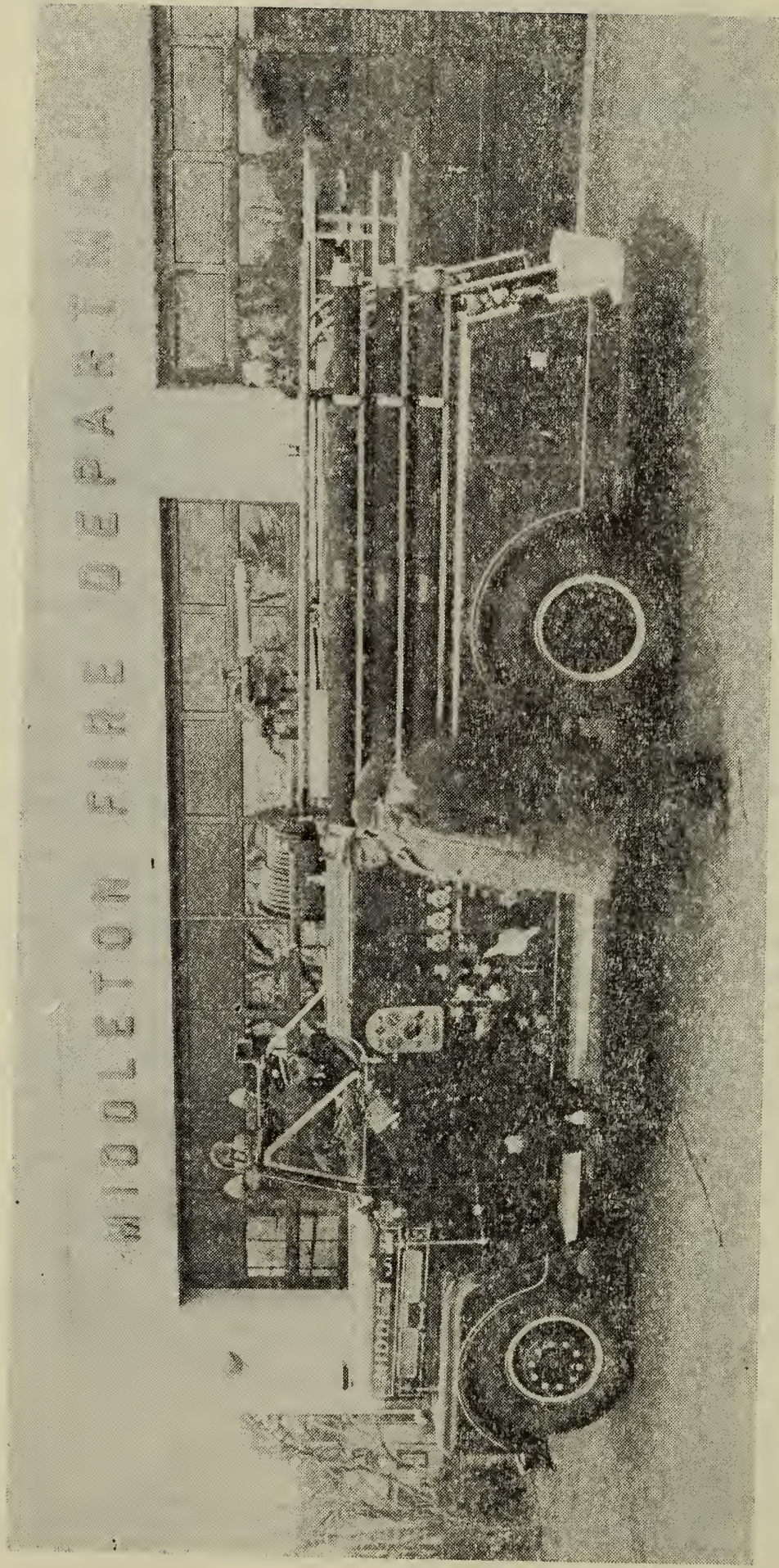
There were many calls made at the request of persons who are planning to have electrical work installed and wanted information.

I would like to impress upon the townspeople that it is very important to have adequate power when they are adding new electrical equipment to their homes. It is very important to have electrical work done by a competent licensed electrician. It is for their safety that electrical work be inspected.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Electric Light Department and the people of Middleton for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MILBERY



FIRE TRUCK PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Names reading left to right: Chief Harold F. Purdy, Lieut. James H. Ogden, Sr., David Burns, Chairman Board of Selectmen; Hazen K. Richardson, Finance Committee; and Fire Capt. George W. Nash.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Citizens of the Town:

I hereby submit my Annual Report of the Fire Department, for the year ending December 31, 1957.

The Fire Department is a call force, consisting of a Chief, Deputy Chief, Captain, 3 Lieutenants, and twenty-six (26) Privates, making a total of thirty-two men.

The department had 152 calls in 1957, which is the most calls ever recorded by the department. They are as follows:—

Buildings	11
Automobile and Truck	7
Brush, Woods and Grass	54
Dump	33
Oil Burners	7
Electrical	3
Miscellaneous (accidents, etc.)	15
Rescue Calls	4
Out-of-Town	16
False	2

Total 152

Box Alarms	60
Still Alarms	92

Total 152

Incoming Telephone Calls	1051
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Inspections and Permits granted for the following:—

Fuel Oil Permits	31
L. P. Gas Permits	99
Fireworks	3
Gasoline	0
Explosives	11

Total 144

All incoming telephone calls are now recorded and for the year 1957 the number of calls received was 1051. The calls were for fires, permits to burn, and all kinds requesting information, etc.

The equipment of the Department is in excellent condition, and repair. The only piece of apparatus which now needs to be replaced is our Forest Fire Truck (Engine 5). This truck is a little Federal $\frac{3}{4}$

ton capacity, and is a 1927 Model, with two wheel brakes. I feel that the Town should consider replacing it in 1959.

The Fire Alarm System is in fine condition and repair. The past year again has seen the system further expanded, with wires installed on South Main Street, North Main Street, and Wennerberg Road. The following new boxes were installed; Box 12, Box 221, Box 34, and Box 4111.

St. Agnes Church is the first building in Middleton to have a local Fire Detection System installed, and connected to the Town Fire Alarm. It is connected through a Master Box No. 4111. The cost of the Box and installation was paid for by the Church.

I would like to recommend to the Town Officials, having charge of Town buildings, that they give some thought to the installation of Fire Detection Systems in all Town buildings.

The Drill School program which has been in operation for the past three years, is paying real dividends. The members of the Department are required to attend Drill School from May to December each year. The program is conducted by the Officers of the Department and Specialists from outside Departments.

The Fire Department has again assisted the various Town Departments when ever called upon to do so, with whatever equipment and men needed for the emergency. We are indeed glad to be of help whenever called.

New Engine I is one of the most modern pieces of fire fighting equipment on the North Shore, the Department has received many fine compliments from many Fire Officials. It is indeed a credit to the Town, and I invite all Citizens to come to the Fire Station to see all our fine equipment.

I again would like to stress to all persons that they should familiarize themselves in the proper way of calling the Fire Department. If you live near a Fire Alarm Box, use it; if not, use the telephone and dial SPring 4-2211. In carrying out these instructions costly delays will be avoided.

I am again grateful to the Board of Fire Engineers, the Citizens of the Town, my Officers, and Men, for their co-operation, during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. PURDY,

Chief

Report of the Fire Truck Purchasing Committee

Honorable Selectmen and
Citizens and Taxpayers of Middleton

In accordance with Article 7 of the Annual Town Meeting War-
rant held March 12, 1957, Moderator Daniel J. Donovan appointed on
April 10, 1957, the following men to serve as members of the Fire
Truck Purchasing Committee:— Fire Chief Harold F. Purdy; Fire
Capt. George W. Nash, Fire Lieut. James H. Ogden, Sr.; Chairman
of Board of Selectmen David Burns; Finance Committee, Hazen
Richardson.

The Committee organized April 11, 1957 in the following manner:
—Chairman, Harold F. Purdy; Clerk, George W. Nash; Committee-
men, David Burns, James H. Ogden and Hazen Richardson. It was
voted to write specifications and invite bids to be opened April 29,
1957 to furnish the Town of Middleton with a Class A. 750 G.P.M.
Fire Pumper and equipment.

The Committee visited many Towns and interviewed many sales-
men in the intervening time between April 11 and 29, 1957 with regard
to the type of apparatus we were instructed to purchase.

On April 29, 1957 bids were opened from the following four
Companies:—Mack . . . \$20,906.73. Maxim . . . disqualified because
it did not meet the specified requirements. Seagrave . . . \$21,798.78.
Ward-LaFrance . . . \$18,999.96.

The Committee accepted the bid of Ward-LaFrance Corporation
and felt that the Town would be acquiring a vehicle well worth a
great deal more.

In writing the specifications the Committee purposely left out
calling for the successful bidder to furnish radio Electric equipment
and we were able to obtain the same type of equipment now used in
our other fire vehicles at a contract price of \$478.86.

The following is an accounting of the funds voted by the Town
to the Committee:—

Total appropriation	\$19,500.00
Bid of Ward-LaFrance Corp., including equipment	\$18,999.96
Advertisement	8.00
Radio	478.86
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	\$19,486.82
Balance	\$13.18

Said balance was turned back to the Town of Middleton.

The new pumper was delivered November 23, 1957 and passed the Acceptance test required by the New England Fire Rating Association on November 29, 1957 and placed in service December 2, 1957.

Fire Chief Harold F. Purdy has received many compliments from various other Fire Department Heads as to the performance and work-ability of the new pumper, and have expressed their opinions that the Town has received a piece of fire apparatus well designed and able to meet the fire fighting needs of the Town.

The Committee was officially discharged at a Special Town Meeting held December 17, 1957.

Respectfully submitted:

HAROLD F. PURDY, Chairman

GEORGE W. NASH, Clerk

DAVID BURNS

JAMES H. OGDEN, SR.

HAZEN K. RICHARDSON

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

Board of Selectmen
Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

The following are the activities of the Planning Board for the year of 1957:

The Board elected its officers at its first regular meeting as follows: Louis A. Barrett, Chairman; Edward Hoffman, Clerk. All Board members were present.

The Planning Board had a moderately active year. All business that came before the board were acted and disposed of strictly within the code.

We wish to express our thanks to all the town officials and citizens for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS A. BARETT, Chairman

FRANK K. SILVA

EDWARD HOFFMAN

HENRY SAWYER

LIONELL BARROWS

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Report to the Town of Middleton for the year ending December 31, 1957.

GENERAL RELIEF:

Unsettled state	1 case	1 person
Outside cities and towns	4 cases	14 persons
Middleton settled	2 cases	5 persons
Division of Child Guardianship	1 case	1 person
Middleton settled aided other cities and towns	8 cases	17 persons

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

(No settlement laws in ADC)	5 cases	15 persons
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE:

(No settlement laws in DA)	2 cases	2 persons
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

Unsettled State	8 cases
Outside cities and towns	9 cases
Middleton settled	24 cases

Total 41 cases

Cost for medical expense for the years of 1956 and 1957

	1956	1957
Old Age Assistance	\$ 22,310.56	\$ 14,050.84
Disability Assistance	1,545.81	1,054.84
Aid to Dependent Children	746.56	444.60
	\$ 24,602.93	\$ 15,550.28

CUMMINGS FUND:

Persons aided (Middleton residents)	3 cases	5 persons
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We regret the loss of Board Member Mr. Charles Pasquale in the latter part of the year.

The Board of Public Welfare wishes to thank the other departments of the Town for their cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. MERRIFIELD, Chr.
CHARLES G. BATES
LEYLAND A. PHILLIPS, Clerk

REPORT OF WATER BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Middleton

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted our first annual report as your new Board of Water Commissioners.

During this past year we have studied the layout of the water system in the town and have found many streets with a very inadequate water service, some have as little as 1¼" lines serving many homes.

Before too long we are sure to have trouble with these small lines either by them becoming plugged or broken. At present prices it will be an expensive proposition to replace them, but it is something the Town will have to face in the near future as we have many homes in town who should have benefit of water and we must start at the source to replace old and inadequate lines in order to extend service.

We have arranged to have two hydrants in the square moved back from their present locations so as to help with the parking problem and to facilitate snow removal. The pipe and fittings have been purchased for this project.

We have also assisted in the installation of water in various homes and a few cases of plugged lines.

One hydrant was removed from Essex Street and will be used in the Square to replace one that is worn out.

There is nothing as cheap as water and nothing as valuable. In the country as a whole the supply of water has been, and is becoming a more serious problem, just as we have experienced in our water district this past year. The Town of Danvers is now engaging in drilling wells near the Ipswich River on South Main Street in Middleton to find a new source of supply which is very badly needed as both towns are growing, especially Danvers, which has a lot of new industry.

In closing we would like to take this opportunity to thank the various departments who have cooperated with us and also the Town of Danvers who have been very cooperative, especially Supt. Russell of the Water Department.

We have conferred with the Superintendent on numerous occasions to bring about more amicable relations between the two water commissions.

Respectfully submitted,

WATER COMMISSIONERS

B. K. Richardson, Chairman

Roger M. Peabody, Clerk

COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

During the past year 790 home visits have been made by the undersigned. This number of visits represents all types of health supervision conducted during the first complete year of the Community Nursing Program.

A breakdown of the type and number of home visits follows:

A. Bedside care	580
B. Health supervision	210
1. Antepartal	7
2. Postpartal	24
3. Newborn	23
4. Premature	1
5. Ages 1-4	39
6. Ages 5-14	67
7. Other infants	14
8. Over 20 yrs.	5
9. Tuberculosis	30

In addition to the above activity, a course was taken in public health at Simmons College and a course in civil defense at the Topsfield CD Headquarters. It is hoped these will further assist the undersigned in the accomplishment of a better health program for the entire community.

Several polio clinics were sponsored by the Board of Health for the children, and one for the adults. All municipal employees received inoculations of flu vaccine.

Conferences were held frequently during the year with state advisors, teachers, principals, and others interested in the health and welfare of the community. Four Mother's Conferences were conducted and plans were formulated for a Well-Child Conference to start in 1958.

The services of the Community Nurse are available to all residents of Middleton.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE RICHMOND, R. N.

Community Nurse

Town of Middleton
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 11, 1958

Your Finance Committee hereby submits its reports and recommendations for the 1958 budget. Each item has been thoroughly investigated and has received serious consideration. The requests, in many cases, were higher than last year's figures but our discussions with department heads indicates that there is a sincere effort to keep expenses to a minimum.

The money you townspeople vote to raise and appropriate at the Town Meeting must, in large measure, be assessed against real estate, and like it or not, your Finance Committee is obliged to consider this fact when we are asked to recommend appropriations to meet the expenses of running the town as efficiently and economically as possible.

The recommended budget amounts to \$435,038.12. This sum is approximately \$23,000 more than the appropriation of 1957. The recommended articles in the warrant reduce the sum in the recommended budget by \$12,200.

With the same careful management exhibited in the past, we are sure that the cost of operating the town can be held within the recommended budget.

RICHARD CRESSEY, Chairman

HAZEN M. RICHARDSON

BARBARA A. ROONEY, Clerk

ALDEN MORELAND

PAUL ODELL

ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee Reports.

No recommendation needed.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew such note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17 of the General Laws.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 3. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town expenses for the ensuing year.

No recommendation needed.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors to use \$12,000.00 from available funds to reduce the tax rate.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 5. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$2,000.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department, said sum to be used for reducing the tax rate.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 6. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, said money to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Department, to build an addition on our present garage which can be used for material storage.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 7. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of

\$2,000.00, said sum to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Department. This sum together with the exchange value of the present 1951 service truck to be expended for the purchase of a new service truck.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to be used for hot topping the frontage and repair of the entrances to Memorial Hall.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 9. On petition of James H. Ogden and others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purchase of materials and to install lighting on Park Street; said amount to be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 10. On petition of Herbert Ayles and others, to see if the Town will vote to have installed on the accepted section of Beatle Road, off Forest Street, three street lights at a cost of \$300.00. Said amount to be taken from the surplus account of the Electric Light Department.

Committee recommends this article.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five (5) voters to investigate the advisability, proposed costs and methods of the regular collection of garbage as a municipal function in the Town of Middleton, and to report their findings and cost estimates to the next Town Meeting.

No recommendation needed.

SCHEDULE "A" — 1958 BUDGET

GENERAL GOVERNMENT — 4.33% OF TOTAL

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1954-1956	Expended 1957	Recom- mended 1958
	Moderator			
1.	Salary	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	Finance Committee			
2.	Expenses	60.93	15.00	100.00
	Selectmen			
3.	Salaries	900.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
4.	Expenses	296.62	439.92	500.00
5.	Clerk	250.00	350.00	400.00
	Accountant			
6.	Salary	1,033.33	1,400.00	1,400.00
7.	Expenses	56.07	86.65	100.00
	Treasurer			
8.	Salary	966.67	1,200.00	1,400.00
9.	Expenses	758.89	1,153.21	907.00
10.	Tax Title Ex.	256.58	346.66	650.00
	Collector			
11.	Salary	966.67	1,200.00	2,340.00
12.	Expenses	792.90	960.41	750.00
	Assessors			
13.	Salaries	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
14.	Expenses	741.18	748.97	1,172.50
	Town Counsel			
15.	Salary	600.00	800.00	800.00
16.	Expenses	14.85	48.00	100.00
	Clerk			
17.	Salary	400.00	400.00	700.00
18.	Expenses	314.50	557.65	350.00
19.	Office Equip.			230.00
	Elections and Registrations			
20.	Salaries	246.67	140.00	300.00
21.	Expenses	775.50	713.01	1,200.00
	Planning Board			
22.	Expenses	183.40	72.50	400.00
	Town Hall			
23.	Salary	480.00	480.00	480.00
24.	Expenses	625.78	634.51	650.00

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1954-1956	Expended 1957	Recommended 1958
	Memorial Hall			
25.	Salary	360.00	360.00	360.00
26.	Expenses	1,883.42	1,902.90	1,900.00
27.	Special	347.77	174.03	225.00
	TOTALS	\$14,861.73	\$17,533.42	\$20,764.50
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY—6.18% OF TOTAL				
	Constable			
28.	Salary	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00
	Police Department			
29.	Chief Salary	4,246.00	4,680.00	4,680.00
30.	Wages	2,334.02	2,841.30	3,000.00
31.	Expenses	2,126.65	2,262.22	2,650.00
	Civil Defense			
32.	Expenses	191.77	84.10	100.00
	Fire Department			
33.	Salaries	1,288.00	2,523.96	2,625.00
34.	Expenses	5,525.36	7,670.96	8,480.00
	Building Inspector			
35.	Salary	400.00	500.00	500.00
36.	Expenses	108.33	200.00	200.00
	Board of Appeals			
37.	Expenses	220.66	254.10	400.00
	Wire Inspector			
38.	Salary	266.67	300.00	300.00
39.	Expenses	73.98	125.00	125.00
	Sealer of Weights and Measures			
40.	Salary	125.00	125.00	125.00
41.	Expenses	167.85	75.00	75.00
	Forestry Department			
42.	Expenses, Forestry	1,107.03	1,298.15	1,300.00
43.	Moth Expenses	1,299.59	1,183.57	1,200.00
44.	Dutch Elm Control	828.00	1,298.88	1,500.00
45.	New Trees	200.00	296.40	300.00
	Dog Officer			
46.	Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
47.	Expenses	158.33	121.00	240.00
	TOTALS	\$20,702.23	\$25,774.64	\$27,935.00

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1954-1956	Expended 1957	Recommended 1958
HEALTH AND SANITATION — 1.29% OF TOTAL				
	Board of Health			
48.	Salaries	\$ 111.67	\$ 320.00	\$ 320.00
49.	Expenses	2,322.41	3,261.35	2,650.00
	Dental Clinic			
50.	Expenses	1,315.64	1,289.90	1,500.00
	Inspector of Cattle			
51.	Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00
52.	Expenses		95.00	100.00
	Inspector of Slaughtering			
53.	Salary	50.00	100.00	50.00
	Community Health Program			
54.	Expenses		2,000.00	2,500.00
	TOTALS	\$3,999.72	\$7,266.26	\$7,320.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — 11.21% OF TOTAL				
55.	Road Machinery Account	\$4,914.43	\$4,251.77	\$4,500.00
56.	Highway Expenses	4,939.26	4,451.44	5,000.00
57.	Chapter 81	4,850.00	4,950.00	4,950.00
58.	Chapter 81 State	8,891.66	9,075.00	9,075.00
59.	Chapter 90 Construction	4,402.67	2,000.00	2,000.00
60.	Chapter 90 State and County	8,833.33	5,459.30	6,000.00
61.	Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,002.95	2,000.00	2,000.00
62.	Chapter 90 State	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
63.	Storm Drains	474.58	1,796.41	1,000.00
64.	Snow Removal	11,241.14	9,688.46	10,000.00
65.	Street Lighting	3,500.00	4,000.00	4,500.00
	TOTALS	\$55,050.02	\$48,672.38	\$50,015.00
CHARITIES — 9.30% OF TOTAL				
	Public Welfare Board			
66.	Salaries	\$ 700.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
67.	Expenses	2,872.77	78.75	200.00
68.	General Relief	3,489.16	4,467.08	4,500.00
69.	Old Age Assistance	45,590.41	43,343.19	27,500.00
70.	Aid Dependent Children	24,334.50	7,401.27	5,000.00
71.	Disability Assistance	1,915.26	3,002.20	3,000.00
72.	Welfare District Administration	801.00	1,006.00	1,174.00
	TOTALS	\$79,703.10	\$60,098.49	\$42,174.00

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1954-1956	Expended 1957	Recommended 1958
VETERANS' AID SERVICES — 1.29% OF TOTAL				
	Veterans' Agent			
73.	Salary	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
74.	Expenses	12.25	19.50	50.00
75.	Veterans' Aid	5,302.95	5,953.36	7,000.00
	TOTALS	\$5,565.20	\$6,222.86	\$7,300.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — 47.34% OF TOTAL

	Schools			
76.	Salaries and Wages	\$67,168.10	\$86,548.24	\$110,110.00
77.	Expenses	54,587.58	70,808.68	71,325.00
78.	Supt. Out of State Travel	113.03	165.54	200.00
79.	Regional		52,634.21	25,274.23
80.	Vocational Education	834.38	806.05	1,000.00
	TOTALS	\$122,703.09	\$210,962.72	\$207,909.23

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT — 1.14% OF TOTAL

81.	Salaries and Wages	\$1,596.00	\$1,875.50	\$1,900.00
82.	Expenses	2,247.42	3,368.76	2,600.00
	Plus Dog Tax Refund			777.44
		\$3,843.42	\$5,244.26	\$5,277.44

RECREATION — 0.14% OF TOTAL

	Park			
83.	Expenses	\$ 830.65	\$ 602.46	\$1,400.00

UNCLASSIFIED — 4.24% OF TOTAL

84.	Retirement Assessment	\$3,360.65	\$5,049.66	\$5,878.64
85.	Memorial Day	386.80	400.80	425.00
86.	Printing Town Reports	970.87	1,023.75	1,050.00
87.	Insurance	3,434.12	5,310.10	7,653.00
88.	Motor Vehicle Insurance		2,092.03	2,750.00
89.	Christmas Lighting	67.95	74.10	50.00
90.	Reserve Fund	2,000.00	1,166.16	2,000.00
	TOTALS	\$10,220.39	\$15,076.60	\$19,806.64

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1954-1956	Expended 1957	Recom- mended 1958
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES				
Electric Light Department				
91.	Salaries	\$ 7,943.33	\$ 8,296.00	\$ 9,200.00
92.	Wages	14,925.55	16,327.00	19,000.00
93.	Energy	81,108.20	101,780.46	110,000.00
94.	Expenses	20,263.95	17,449.05	18,000.00
95.	Depreciation	6,404.44	8,109.27	8,500.00
96.	Line Clearance	2,986.95	1,487.30	1,800.00
97.	Emergency Fund			1,000.00
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		\$133,632.42	\$153,449.08	\$167,500.00
WATER DEPARTMENT — 0.23% OF TOTAL				
98.	Salaries		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
99.	Expenses		593.63	2,000.00
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	TOTALS		\$ 893.63	\$2,300.00
CEMETERIES — 1.21% OF TOTAL				
100.	Supt. of Burials Salary	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
101.	Commissioners Salaries	60.00	60.00	60.00
	Cemetery			
102.	Expenses	4,488.98	4,199.54	5,520.00
103.	Opening Graves	759.75	977.63	900.00
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	TOTALS	\$5,338.73	\$5,267.17	\$6,510.00
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — 8.22% OF TOTAL				
104.	School Addition Loan	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
105.	Addition No. 2 Loan		10,000.00	10,000.00
106.	Fire-Highway Building Loan	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
107.	Fire Truck Loan			3,000.00
108.	Interest	3,401.25	9,226.25	9,103.75
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	TOTALS	\$18,401.25	\$34,226.25	\$37,103.75
GRAND TOTALS		\$341,219.53	\$430,381.83	\$435,038.12

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

**Town of
Middleton**



for the Year Ending December 31,
1957

SCHOOL REPORT

School Committee

MR. EBEN L. JEWETT, Chairman	Term expires 1958
MRS. ROSAMOND BASTABLE, Secretary	Term expires 1958
MR. HENRY SAWYER	Term expires 1958
MR. JOSEPH R. CHARTIER	Term expires 1959
MR. HENRY LUSCOMB	Term expires 1960

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

RAYMOND S. DOWER, JR.

Office: Howe-Manning School

Tel. SPring 4-3517

Office Hours — 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. — Monday - Friday

School Calendar

1958

Open January 6, 1958

Close February 28, 1958

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open March 10, 1958

Close April 25, 1958

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open May 5, 1958

Close June 13, 1958

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 8, 1958

Close December 23, 1958

School Holidays

Good Friday

May 30

October 13

November 11, 27 and 28

(and such other days as the School Committee may designate)

The School Calendar may be subject to change.

No School Signals

The following no school signals have been adopted:

- a. 2-2-2 blast on the fire alarm
- b. Two blasts at the B. B. Chemical Co.
- c. Street lights on for three minutes
- d. Radio Stations WBZ and WESX will carry an announcement on their regular no school broadcasts.

The signal for the High School will be at 7:15 A.M. The signal for the Howe-Manning School will be at 7:45 A.M.

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1957

Age	Girls	Boys	Total
5-7	58	73	131
7-16	243	270	513
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4-5	48	35	83
3-4	30	33	63
2-3	36	25	61
1-2	30	30	60
Under one year	27	20	47

Age of School Admission

All children born on or before January 1, 1953 are eligible to attend school in the coming Fall term. No entrance tests for children under the age requirements will be given.

Employment Certificates

Certificates for the employment of minors between the ages of 14-18 may be obtained at the Superintendent's office during regular office hours.

HOWE-MANNING SCHOOL

Corps of Teachers 1957-1958

Name		Grade	Date of Appointment
Geo. E. Port, Jr., M. Ed.	Boston College	Prin.	Sept. 1955
Catherine Devane	Lesley College	1	Sept. 1953
Evelyn Hausman	Westchester Teachers	1	Sept. 1956
Gertrude Moffette, B.S. Ed.	Fitchburg Teachers	1	Sept. 1957
Mary L'Heureux, B.S. Ed.	Boston College	2	Sept. 1956
Carol Mansfield, B.S. Ed.	Salem Teachers Col.	2	Sept. 1957
Eleanor Cassidy, B.S. Ed.	Salem Teachers Col.	3	Sept. 1955
Gladys William's	Bridgewater Teachers	3	Sept. 1954
Rhoda Goodwin, B.S. Ed.	Salem Teachers Col.	4	Sept. 1957
Marjorie Eustis	Westfield Teachers	4	Jan. 1958
J. Nellie Johnston	Salem Teachers Col.	5	Sept. 1949
Rose E. Durgin, B.S.	Gordon College	5	Sept. 1956
Betty Bourdreau, B.S. Ed.	Lowell Teachers Col.	6	Sept. 1957
Nancy DeSautels, M. Ed.	Boston Teachers	6	Sept. 1957
Shirley Foley, B.S. Ed.	Salem Teachers Col.	7	Sept. 1955
John Hanlon, M.A.	Am. International Col.	7	Sept. 1957
Lillian Taylor, B.S. Ed.	Salem Teachers Col.	8	Sept. 1953
Eugene Winter, B.S. Ed.	Lowell Teachers Col.	8	Sept. 1954
Ida Romanow, B.A.O.	Staley College	Ungraded	Sept. 1957
Edward Bruzzo, B.S.	Tufts University	Art	Sept. 1953
Sandra Masi, B.S. Ed.	Lowell Teachers Col.	Music	Sept. 1957
E. Frances Donovan	Salem Teachers Col.	Read.	Sept. 1957

Staff Members

Name			Date of Appointment
Lois K. Rogers, M.D.	Yale Univ.	Physician	Sept. 1945
Stephen D'Urso, D.M.D.	Tufts Univ.	Dentist	Apr. 1953
Irene Richmond, R.N.	Salem Hosp.	Nurse	Jan. 1957
Marion Seaver	Bryant & Stratton	Secretary	Aug. 1955
Dorothy Coffin		Cafeteria Mgr.	Sept. 1953
Jennie Johnson		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1952
Mary Silva		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1955
Mary Armitage		Cafeteria Worker	June 1956
Nathan Hayward, Jr.		Head Custodian and	
		Attend. Officer	Apr. 1950
Perley Lovelace		Custodian	June 1957

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the citizens and taxpayers the Middleton School Committee hereby submits its report for the year 1957:

Your school committee has held its regular monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. In addition to the regular meetings, special meetings have been held for the purpose of evaluating our educational program and for preparation of the school budget. Last spring our committee enrolled in the seminar for school committees sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees and given in Boston by the Boston University School of Education. During this weekly series of seven meetings, some of the major concerns of school committees were analyzed and discussed by persons competent to assist school board members in understanding and fulfilling their responsibilities. Our committee members have also attended our area meetings of the Massachusetts School Committee Association. These meetings provide the opportunity to visit new school buildings in the area, hear authorities talk on some topic of vital interest to school committees and to exchange ideas and compare notes with school people from other cities and towns.

The current problems most common to all school committees seem to be increased enrollments, increased budgets, lack of teachers, and lack of space. We in Middleton have faced these problems but to a lesser degree.

Our enrollment figures show Middleton's growth to be increasing steadily rather than in leaps and bounds. The 6-room addition of which the townspeople can be justly proud is nicely caring for the accumulation of the enrollment growth of the past few years. Naturally an enlarged school plant results in increased staff and increased maintenance and operating costs which are reflected in the school budget. However, by and large, the major increase in the school budget proposed for 1958 is the result of the full impact of the salary program adopted last year. In spite of the readjustments made and the schedule voted a year ago, in order to keep Middleton in a bargaining position in the teacher market, the committee has increased the minimum salary from \$3,300 per year to \$3,500 per year effective September 1958 with a resulting \$200 across the board increase. We feel that we have an outstanding and dedicated teaching staff who are in no sense of the word overpaid. In spite of a national teacher shortage, we have been able to keep our schools adequately and capably staffed.

In all our deliberations we have made an earnest effort to evaluate the effectiveness, efficiency, and economy of all phases of our school system.

We have continued our policy to encourage the use of our school for community and civic purposes. During this past summer arrangements were made to allow for the use of the school toilet facilities by the children participating in the playground program.

We as a committee have been concerned for some time that many Middleton pupils fail to take advantage of the educational opportunities afforded them and many capable students fail each year because of a decided lack of effort and/or excessive absences. Aside from the fact that these failures place an unnecessary burden upon the taxpayers, the committee is convinced that our young people have a responsibility to assume and have faith that our young people will meet this responsibility. Consequently we have voted to declare ineligible for payment of tuition by the town any pupil over 16 years of age whose school failure is judged due to decided lack of effort and/or excessive absences.

The school committee has petitioned the State Department of Education to reconsider its decision of two years ago and to allow Middleton to have one person serve as both superintendent and principal instead of having a full-time superintendent as recommended at that time. We feel that we have been administratively top heavy which makes for less efficiency and a greater financial burden.

We have been very happy with the fine educational program and excellent cooperation offered our Middleton high school pupils by the Salem High School. Since these tuition arrangements with the Salem School Department are of a temporary nature, the Middleton School committee is still looking forward with anticipation to the completion of the regional Junior-Senior high school by September, 1959.

We wish to express our gratitude to the parents and townspeople for the outstanding interest, cooperation and support given our school system during the past year. We solicit your cooperation and suggestions in the future.

We wish to thank our Superintendent, Mr. Dower; our Principal, Mr. Port; our faithful teachers, supervisors, custodians and cafeteria workers for their cooperation and loyalty during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MIDDLETON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman

Rosamond L. Bastable, Secretary

Henry F. Luscomb

Joseph R. Chartier

Henry Sawyer

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

AGE-GRADE DISTRIBUTION - OCTOBER 1, 1957

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Totals
Grade													
I	20	55	3										78
II		6	48	6									60
III			14	43	4	3							64
IV				10	37	14	2						63
V					12	43	7						62
VI						11	40	3					54
VII							6	25	3	4			38
VIII								15	14	7	3	1	40
Ungraded					1	3	2	2	3				11
Totals	20	61	65	59	54	74	57	45	20	11	3	1	470

TEACHER-GRADE DISTRIBUTION - OCTOBER 1, 1957

Teacher	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Un-graded	Total
Miss Devane	26									26
Mrs. Hausman	26									26
Mrs. Moffette	26									26
Miss Kelley		30								30
Miss Mansfield		30								30
Mrs. Williams			33							33
Mrs. Cassidy			31							31
Mrs. Feenan				30						30
Miss Goodwin				33						33
Mrs. Johnston					30					30
Miss Durgin					32					32
Mrs. Boudreau						26				26
Miss DeSautels						28				28
Miss Foley							19			19
Mr. Hanlon							19			19
Mrs. Taylor								21		21
Mr. Winter								19		19
Mrs. Romanow									11	11
Totals	78	60	64	63	62	54	38	40	11	470

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Middleton School Committee:

Herein is submitted my annual report as Superintendent of Schools for the Middleton School System.

FACILITIES

Probably the most important changes taking place on the Middleton educational scene during the past year have been the completion of the six-room addition to the Howe-Manning School and the transfer of Middleton high school students from Danvers to Salem.

Culminating the work of several years, the long awaited six-room addition to the Howe-Manning School was opened this past September. That its opening was none too soon was evidenced by its immediate employment for classroom space. Only one room in the entire building does not house a class. It is employed as a music and art room this year and this will be in use as a classroom by September 1958. The addition represents a masterful blending of the original structure with the new on the part of the architect and contractor.

The new rooms have been equipped with the latest in school furniture. Plastic topped desks and individual desk and chair units in pleasing colors have been installed. Individual toilet facilities are present in the lower grade rooms. Drinking fountains and sinks are present in each classroom to cope with problems encountered in modern educational instruction.

The freight entrance and storage space also provided will serve as welcome relief to the problem of storing necessary supplies. The new kitchen has proved itself in the few short months it has been in operation. Much favorable comment has been heard both from townspeople and from educators in surrounding communities who have visited the local structure.

Other facility changes this past year have included moving the reading room from the top floor of the building to the main floor where it is now located across the hall from the office. Combined with the library it now serves as a resource center for classroom, audio-visual and other reference materials. The former reading room has now become the men teachers' lounge and has been equipped with

several pieces of furniture to allow the male members of the faculty to have a room to themselves — something they have not had up to this time.

With the aid of the additional classrooms, it has now been possible to satisfy State Department of Education requirements for ungraded classes. One classroom has been set aside for this purpose and special equipment including a stove has been procured to aid the instructor.

The transfer of Middleton students to Salem from Danvers was inevitable because of the rapid growth in recent years of the Town of Danvers. Its school population increasing at a rapid rate, the neighboring community found itself hard-pressed for classroom space. The City of Salem was able to provide the temporary answer to Middleton's housing problem at the secondary level. This community is indeed fortunate to be able to send its pupils to a high school with highly diversified course offerings, experienced staff and exceptionally capable administrative personnel. Relations have been most gratifying with officials of the Salem School Department whether concerning administrative matters or problems involving individual Middleton pupils.

CURRICULUM

Of personal satisfaction to the members of the faculty and to the writer has been the adoption of new science textbooks for the Howe-Manning School during the past year. This adoption has resulted from the year-long study undertaken by members of the faculty during the 1956-57 school year. Recognizing the need for an evaluation of science instruction more than a year ago, faculty members created a complete program of science instruction from Grades One through Eight and recommended the D. C. Heath Science series as the text best suited to parallel the course of instruction constructed by the teachers. This new series was installed in Grades 1-6 in September, 1957. Since that time, additional equipment has been authorized the junior high science program under the direction of Mr. Eugene Winter. Items for demonstration purposes have been purchased and are now in use.

Also, during the past year, additions have been made to the social studies program. This also is a result of the faculty workshop program. The Follett Unified Social Studies series of textbooks had been installed in the sixth grade during the 1956-57 school year on a trial basis. This was done in order to introduce more material concerning Canada and South America and also to determine pupil and teacher reaction to the materials presented. The reaction has

been so enthusiastic that this series has been extended to the Fourth and Fifth grades.

Further work in the Social Studies area has shown the need for more adequate maps and globes to build global concepts and understandings. A planned program of map and globe replacement extending over several years has been initiated and initial equipment has been installed in practically every classroom.

A new system of penmanship has been adopted by the Middleton School Department. After several years of experimenting with the Rinehart system of penmanship, the Zaner-Bloser system of handwriting has been adopted. Along with this new system, ball point pens have been furnished students from Fourth Grade up. These pens are loaned to the students and serve to encourage better handwriting as well as neatness as the need for individual ink wells is eliminated.

The need for diversified reading materials in the school library has been recognized and based on the recommendations of Mrs. Frances Donovan, remedial reading teacher, a large selection of books have been purchased for the library. In addition, the yearly selection of Cadmus books has been made and purchased for the school library. These books are correlated with the classroom reading materials and offer the classroom teacher an extra opportunity to further incite the interest of her pupils through proper reading materials.

Additional classrooms have meant more time necessary for supervisors. The Music Supervisor, Miss Sandra Masi, is now spending a day and a half each week at the Howe-Manning School in order to visit each classroom at regularly spaced intervals. Previously only one day each week was necessary for the special subject supervisors. The Art Supervisor, Mr. Edward Bruzzo of Lawrence, is now spending one day each week at the elementary school but provisions have been made to increase this time allotment to a day and a half each week in September 1958.

MAINTENANCE

A second janitor was added to the maintenance staff this past year in order to assist Nathan Hayward, head custodian, to adequately care for the Howe-Manning School which was increased from fourteen classrooms to twenty classrooms with the completion of the new addition. Mr. Perley Lovelace was elected to the new position and began work in June in order to assist Mr. Hayward with the Summer maintenance program. With the addition of the second custodian, it has been possible to clean the classrooms at the close of the day rather than during the recess periods as was done heretofore. Mr.

Hayward is on duty from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mr. Lovelace is on duty from 2:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. In this way, it is possible to make the building available for youth groups during the evening hours as the custodian is on duty. The addition of the second custodian is expected to be of great assistance during the years ahead as many repairs heretofore handled by outside contractors can now be handled by the maintenance staff.

During the past Summer, the cafeteria ceiling was covered with sound absorbent tile and new fluorescent lighting was installed. The cafeteria walls were painted and two windows installed to provide more natural light. A new ceiling together with more appropriate stage lighting was installed above the stage in the school auditorium. The gymnasium floor was sanded and relined and the shower rooms painted during the summer program.

A new asphalt tile floor has been installed in the junior high social studies room and the men teachers' room on the second floor. There are only a small number of classrooms remaining with original wooden floors. All other classrooms have had tile floors installed. This type of floor is much easier to maintain, and should remain indefinitely with a minimum of care.

TRANSPORTATION

Because of the transfer of high school students to Salem, it became necessary to negotiate transportation facilities with the present bus contractor, John Muzichuk. It has been possible to plan bus service for youngsters attending Salem High School in the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes and for seniors allowed to remain at the Danvers institution. In addition to regularly scheduled bus trips, a late sessions bus is provided with a ride home to Middleton. Also, bus tickets are available at the Superintendent's office for students engaging in athletics or other extra-curricular activities and thereby prevented from riding on the late sessions bus. Every effort is being made by this office to ease the transportation burden on the individual student as much as possible. Conditions will improve somewhat during the next school year as the Danvers seniors will have been graduated and all Middleton high school students will be attending only Salem High School pending the completion of the regional high school.

At the present time, three busses are necessary to transport high school students. With an increase in high school enrollment expected in September, 1958, it may become necessary to add an additional bus on the high school trips. Three busses make two trips each on the elementary school routes each day.

Again, this past year, each classroom was accorded the privilege of one bus trip to a place of educational interest, and finally, both girls' and boys' sports teams were provided with bus transportation when participating in athletic events in nearby communities.

CONCLUSION

In the ruins of UR a room has been unearthed that was a school 4,500 years ago. Clay tablets of instruction used there still exist. Schools and education have been a part of every known civilization. Education today is an accumulation of all things education has been in the past.

The specific purposes for which the first schools were established are not known. It is recognized that two historic streams of culture and religion have largely produced modern Western civilization: the ancient Greek tradition and the Hebrew-Christian tradition. These two great currents continue to influence profoundly the stream of life and education in the United States today.

Along with these have developed scientific research and teaching and, utilizing both, modern technology which is producing the wonders of mass production in manufacture, agriculture and commerce.

Today there are insistent demands that major emphasis be placed on academic education so that this nation will be assured that scientists will be provided in abundant supply. The almost hysterical demand for revolutionizing our educational system to permit us to "catch up" with the Russians is emotional and ill-advised in the opinion of the majority of the nation's educators, and certainly that of the undersigned.

There is always the need for changing our educational methods and advantage should be taken of the aroused public interest to review our educational system from grade school to college, seeking basically to promote those methods of teaching which are the simplest and most straightforward in order to be understood. If this is a worthy aim, it should apply to all branches of the curriculum — whether science or history, mathematics or literature.

Our objectives should be that which include better education in literature, the arts, the social science, the biological sciences, and philosophy as well as in science and mathematics. This is also by way of saying that our objectives at Howe-Manning School are constantly under scrutiny to determine their worthiness. Let's not be too worried about "catching up" with the Russians in science and mathematics.

If we are to win the important race and perpetuate the democratic way of life, we need broadly educated men and women.

My appreciation is hereby extended to the entire staff, the School Committee and the citizens of the Town of Middleton for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND S. DOWER, JR.

Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

I am very happy to submit to you herein, and on the following pages, my annual report for the calendar year 1957 as Principal of the Howe-Manning School.

FACULTY

Three more teachers were added to the staff this year. This was brought about due to an added enrollment at the first grade level and two sixth grade classrooms as against only one last year, as well as compliance with the state law regarding specialized educational training.

The faculty now consists of eighteen classroom teachers, an Art Supervisor, Music Supervisor, Reading Specialist, and Principal. New teachers added to the faculty this year include: Grade One, Mrs. Robert Moffette; Grade Two, Miss Carol Mansfield; Grade Four, Miss Rhoda Goodwin; Grade Six, Miss Nancy DeSautels and Mrs. Theodore Boudreau; Grade Seven, Mr. John Hanlon; Ungraded, Mrs. Harold Romanow; Reading Specialist, Mrs. Frederick Donovan; Music Supervisor, Miss Sandra Masi.

The teaching assignments for the departmentally organized Grades Seven and Eight are as follows: Grade Seven, Miss Shirley Foley — Language Arts and Girls' Physical Education; Mr. John Hanlon — Social Studies and Boys' Physical Education; Grade Eight, Mr. Eugene Winter — Science, Music, Art, and Guidance; Mrs. Steve Taylor — Mathematics and Guidance.

CURRICULUM

Once again this year we are engaged in curriculum revision through the medium of the curriculum workshop in which we participate the second Wednesday of each month. This year work was completed in the areas of Science, Social Studies and English Grammar. Many other surrounding towns at the moment of the writing of this report are considering the necessity of a close look at their own courses of study just as we have been doing. The value of this study lies not only in revision of curricula but also in critical evaluation of subject-matter and techniques of presentation of that subject-matter.

In line with self-improvement, which has been a focus of attention, is the addition of several professional books and magazines to the library.

With the transfer of the library from what is now the Principal's Office to what used to be Miss Hinkley's room, the use of this facility has been greatly extended. The Library serves a double function in that it is also the remedial reading room and since Mrs. Donovan serves both as remedial reading specialist and librarian, she is able to assist students during the day in their attempts to find material for reports and the like.

Aiding Mrs. Donovan in the distribution of books is a capable staff of youngsters from the Future Teachers of America Club who have an interest in this phase of a teacher's life.

As a result of the addition, the gymnasium is once more available for use in the physical education program for children in all the grades. This has been a tremendous boon to the children and their delight and happiness are obvious even to the most casual observer.

During the past year two separate programs have been instituted with the cooperation of Miss Tyler of the Flint Public Library staff. The first is a series of visits to the library for the purpose of learning about such things as the physical layout of the library, how to find certain types of books, and an explanation of how to borrow a book. The second is a series of story hours by Miss Tyler much to the delight of the children.

We have been able to purchase three record players, a filmstrip projector, a large screen, and public address stands along with the renewals of our usual Film Cooperative and Filmstrip-of-the-Month contracts. These materials are keeping the audio-visual equipment of the school up to the high standard set prior to the six-room addition.

One activity which must be considered under the heading of curriculum is the group of projectionists. These youngsters of grades 6, 7 and 8, while being held to extremely high standards of conduct and scholarship, have been of assistance to outside groups wishing to use our equipment on school property but after school hours and have kept our audio-visual program operating as one of the finest anywhere.

Our testing program convinces us that we are definitely making progress in our teaching. This progress is shown through greater success by the children in achievement tests and the more informal

test given by the various classroom teachers. It is felt that the new textbook series in mathematics, science and social studies, curriculum study, devoted teachers who seek to make school interesting, and efficient organization are the key to success this year.

GUIDANCE

It is becoming increasingly more evident throughout the country that the guidance program of any school is a matter of vital concern and, therefore, of the utmost importance. In Middleton we have been taking great strides in this field.

Every child has the opportunity for private specialized help in problems related to personal, educational, and vocational subjects. Children in grades 4, 5 and 6 have formal classes in fair-play, honesty, etc. Boys and girls in grades 7 and 8 receive class type instruction in choice of vocations, family problems, social relationships, study habits, high school orientation, and many other units of study.

A welcome addition to our guidance facilities this year has been the Conference Room where, in a central location, it is possible to discuss, in private, with the student and with his parents any problems which he may have.

We renewed our membership this year with the Guidance Filmstrip-of-the-Month Club, as well as with Science Research Associates for its Comprehensive Guidance Service. These have proven to be very helpful.

Our very extensive testing program includes: Achievement Tests in grades 2-8 inclusive every year; Intelligence Tests in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7; Problem Inventories in grades 5 and 7; and Interest Inventories in grades 5 and 8. A new development in the field of testing this year has been the decision to use the Kuder Preference Record to check interests as compared with the interests of people already in established occupations. Through this means, we can see whether a boy or girl has the interests which most people who are doctors, lawyers, plumbers, accountants, etc. have and thus see whether, given the aptitude and achievement necessary for success, probability for success is sufficiently high to warrant concentration on that field of work.

Extensive cumulative records and test folders follow each child up the grades and yield much information of extreme importance to all teachers and the guidance staff.

A new statistical file is being set up in the Principal's office, the purpose of which is to help in our close supervision of the educational results achieved at the Howe-Manning School.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Middleton Teachers' Association prepared and staged an "Open House" for the fifth year in a row in observance of National Education Week this past November. The Teachers' Association also packaged and distributed gifts to needy families in the town at Christmas time. Seventy-one children, from eighteen families, received presents of clothing and toys for Christmas as a result of the teachers' efforts and the generosity of several organizations and anonymous donors in town.

The Danvers YMCA is once again sponsoring Saturday morning physical education classes for boys in grades two through eight. Mr. John Hanlon of our school faculty is in charge. High school classes are also being conducted, as in the past, on Monday evenings.

Our baseball, softball and basketball teams, under the direction of Miss Shirley Foley and Mr. John Hanlon, have had many trips to neighboring communities and have been highly successful both in matters of good will and competitive success.

The Band this year is under the direction of Miss Sandra Masi, Music Supervisor, with the very capable assistance of Mr. Eugene Winter who, until Miss Masi was added to the staff in September, had to carry the entire burden himself while carrying a full teaching schedule.

The Fannie C. Hinkley Future Teachers of America Club has been highly successful this past year. The club has weekly meetings wherein educational problems are discussed. Speakers are brought in to acquaint all club members, many of whom are interested in teaching though they may not join the profession, on all types of educational methods. Books on teaching and teachers are bought and distributed to members out of club dues. Arrangements are also made to allow members to assist teachers in the learning situation on a definite schedule.

A new organization in the school has been the Safety Patrol whose purpose it is to aid in fire drills and to patrol certain prescribed places both before and after school. It is hoped that this medium will not only help youngsters in the Junior High Grades to participate in some extra-curricular activity but also that it will focus the attention of the school on safety habits.

The Student Council has initiated sponsorship of a school newspaper to report on the big and little things going on in the school which cannot be placed in the local newspaper columns due to

limitations in space. The development of this organization will be watched eagerly.

Once again I am happy to note the continued use of the school facilities for Town Meetings and the meetings of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, YMCA, Grange and various church organizations. It is sincerely hoped that this will continue to be the case and that any other interested parties will make inquiry as to the rules and regulations.

CONCLUSION

Every possible effort is being made on the part of the staff of the Howe-Manning School to improve itself and the curriculum, and as a truly professionally minded staff it pledges itself to continue expending every effort in this direction. It is my personal opinion that there is a definite correlation between the services mentioned throughout my report and the success which our graduates are now having in high school and this is no more than right since the children of Middleton deserve nothing but the very best. Proof that the townspeople feel this way is demonstrated by the very much appreciated six-room addition to the building.

Finally, we hope that all the children who graduate from our immediate care have learned, along with things academic, a love of country, parents and home and we also hope that God, to whom we look for assistance in this difficult task, will grant the success our efforts seek.

My sincerest thanks and deepest appreciation are extended to my very capable staff, the School Committee, and the parents and citizens of the Town of Middleton for the support and cooperation extended to me this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. PORT, JR.

Principal

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

This year saw the completion of the series of two polio inoculations, and one booster shot for most of the school children, plus a fourth shot for the pioneer children who started the program. There were approximately ten polio clinics held last year which means that every parent had ample opportunity to get his child inoculated. The free vaccine program controlled by the state ended November 1, 1957.

Each child in school had a vision test done with the Massachusetts Vision Testing Kit. There were thirty-seven failures out of 448 children tested. Of these thirty-seven failures all children taken to an eye specialist required treatment with the exception of one. Three children were not taken to an eye doctor.

The same number of children had hearing tests with the audiometer, and there were twenty-four failures.

A new procedure was initiated this year with the placing of first-aid boxes in each class. These are made from cigar boxes donated by Middleton Square Drug and painted by Middleton Community Services, Inc. These were instigated to teach the children proper care of their own minor cuts and bruises. One of the major things taught in Civil Defense is that the person who can best take care of himself is the one who has the best chance to survive.

The tuberculin testing program was carried out in grades 1, 4 and 7. There were several positive reactions which will be followed by X-ray.

Each child in grades 1, 4 and 8 who wished to have the school physician had a complete physical including a urine test. Defect slips were sent home for anything questionable and should be followed with a visit to the family physician.

The diphtheria-tetanus clinic was held in May and I am pleased to say there are very few parents who do not take this opportunity to have their children immunized from these dread diseases.

Heights and weights are checked twice a year along with checks for pediculosis.

As part of the overall health program a concentrated effort is being made to encourage the children to be more conscious of the nutritional benefit made available to them through the hot lunch program. The children are being urged by the classroom teacher, cafeteria workers, and the undersigned to try all the different foods offered them in order to cultivate a liking for the foods which are considered to be the most beneficial for growing children.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE RICHMOND, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT OF THE DENTAL CLINIC

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

The most interesting observation made during the past year was in the condition of the teeth of the children coming into the first grade. Out of fifty-eight children who were examined, it was found that thirty-three of them used the public water supply. This group had a total of only forty-six decayed, missing or filled teeth or an average of 1.4 per each child. Twenty-five of the children derived their water supply from wells and this group had a total of 128 decayed, missing or filled teeth, or an average of five for each child. In other words, approximately four times as many defective teeth are found in those children using well water as compared with those using the fluoridated public water supply. There is little doubt that the lack of fluoride in the well water is responsible for the greater number of decayed teeth.

A total of 129 patients were treated during the year and 94 of them have had all dental defects cared for. Those who are not receiving treatment at the school are urged to visit the family dentist regularly. The children are instructed in the proper care of the teeth with special emphasis on the correct use of the toothbrush.

The services rendered include the extraction of teeth, the restoration of decayed teeth and cleaning. Parents who have any questions concerning the dental needs of their children are invited to come to the clinic to discuss them. It has been very gratifying to see a larger number seeking dental treatment each year and the children have been very cooperative.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN J. D'URSO, D.M.D.

School Dentist

REPORT OF REMEDIAL READING SPECIALIST

Because learning to read is a complex skill involving hearing, saying, seeing, and recalling a wide variety of symbols or words, all children are not ready to read at a specific age. While some are able to cope with this process at the age of six, their classmates may be developing in other areas. For the latter reading readiness comes with more maturity.

Children progress at varying speeds, so reading matter is provided for their different capacities. Modern (forward-looking) school systems accommodate the needs of individuals with a flexible reading program such as we enjoy here in Middleton.

Science, social studies, and problem solving as well as literature require wide independent reading at the middle and junior high grade levels. It is necessary, therefore, that the classroom teachers foster a developmental reading plan. This emphasizes main ideas, proper sequence, and seeking details. This continuous teaching of reading is necessary even at the college level.

Physical, mental, and emotional factors contribute to reading progress. Since these traits vary in individuals, some children require a longer period to cover a given amount of material. Rather than have these lag behind, or repeat a grade, remedial reading programs are instituted in ever increasing numbers throughout the country.

Different texts on an easier level are in use in this essential program. Here additional drill is given, and phonetic analysis is emphasized.

Fresh material is presented to motivate interest, this he learns to comprehend with ease, gaining the confidence that only achievement can bring.

A great deal can be done at home to prepare the child and supplement the school program. This aid is invaluable. Reading to them from books suitable to their ages, answering their questions, and supplying correct names for things all contribute to their mental development. Discussing experiences aids greatly in language skills.

Since the basic element for scholastic achievement is the ability to interpret and retain subject matter and ideas, every effort must be expended to help the pupil enjoy reading. Herein lies success and nothing succeeds like success.

The faculty of the Howe-Manning School, equipped with a thorough testing program exercises every effort to maintain a high standard of achievement with each individual child in the school system.

Respectfully submitted,

E. FRANCES DONOVAN

Remedial Reading Specialist

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

The music program at the Howe-Manning School is based on a five-fold outline which includes singing, playing, creating, listening, and rhythms. The detail of each activity varies with each grade and class.

Rote singing is used throughout the grades, but more extensively in the primary grades. Rounds and part singing are taught in the intermediate grades where note reading is developed.

Playing and rhythms are almost synonymous. Clapping, walking, running, swaying, or beating a rhythm band instrument to music not only develops rhythm but also develops eventually into ability to play the more complicated and refined instruments. In the intermediate grades this ability is developed more thoroughly in those who choose to take private lessons on some particular instrument. After developing a certain degree of ability in the chosen instrument, these boys and girls are given a place in the school band where everyone learns to work in harmony to create harmony.

Those who do not have the opportunity to take lessons on a particular instrument, develop rhythm and playing ability through class participation in various dances and rhythm band activities which start with simple steps and rhythms in the primary grades and develop into more intricate steps and rhythms in the upper grades.

Creating is more extensive in the lower grades where children are given a chance to express their own abilities in singing original tunes, making up steps to certain types of music or changing or adding verses to different songs.

Creating in the intermediate and junior grades is closely associated with listening. Different types of music are heard and discussions based on ideas received from the listening, are compared to the authentic ideas which should, by professional authority, be received by the listener. Listening includes high and low; soft and loud; and fast and slow impressions for the primary listeners. It develops into clearness, sweetness, sadness, instrumentation, nationality, form, etc., in the intermediate and junior grades.

The instrumental program continues to progress satisfactorily. Mr. Eugene Winter of the faculty teaches woodwinds and drums; Mrs. Lucy Barnes of Salem teaches violin; and, I teach brass and piano.

The school band meets every Wednesday and Friday to practice various selected pieces. There are also extra band rehearsals held for special appearances. I am happy to report that our first appearance, together with the seventh and eighth grade chorus, met with success.

May I take this opportunity to thank all in the school system for their fine cooperation and friendliness.

Respectfully submitted,

SANDRA J. MASI

Music Supervisor

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

The art program at the Howe-Manning School is planned to develop an esthetic sense, manual skills, basic drawing skills, color understanding, and to provide opportunities for healthy emotional expressions.

Media of wide variety are used in order to develop an understanding of the esthetic potentials that exist in all materials. Crayons, poster paints, water colors, clayola, papier mache, sawdust, plaster of paris and construction paper are some of the media that have been in use.

Manual skills are promoted by three dimensional construction paper projects. Work done with papier mache, clayola, and plaster of paris also serves the same purpose.

In the teaching of color the basic differences between cool and warm colors are emphasized. Their respective values are taught at all grade levels. This simple division of color allows a great deal of individual expression yet bounds it within reasonable limits of good judgment.

Group mural projects are engaged in. These projects are integrated with classroom assignments, and serve the additional purpose of developing cooperative work habits.

In the upper grades drawing is taught according to basic geometric principles. An understanding of these principles is fundamental to an intelligent rendition of a three dimensional object. Perspective is touched upon, but emphasized only in a general manner. In the lower grades drawing criticism is the least formal.

As in most projects, design is taught in a manner emphasizing free expression except for textile like design wherein an intelligent discipline is imposed.

Lettering is taught in the upper grades, and all but the very lowest grades engage in poster projects that deal with socially worthy ideals.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD BRUZZO

Art Supervisor

REPORT OF CAFETERIA MANAGER

To the Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton:

January 1st through June 12th we served on the average of 350 children and 15 teachers a day. We serve a balanced type A lunch consisting of 2 oz. of protein, $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of vegetables or fruits, 1 slice of bread, 2 teaspoons of butter and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of milk.

We went into our new kitchen after the April vacation. It wasn't finished but so cheerful and more convenient that it was appreciated very much by all. Our new equipment steam kettle, attachments to our beater, shredder and meat grinder has made our work much easier.

The week before school opened we served a dinner to the School Committee, Superintendent, Principal and teachers, also, lunch for the teachers the three days they had workshop.

Shortly after school opened our diswashing machine was in operation necessitating another helper part time making the cafeteria staff five. Four pupils help during the lunch period — two girls and two boys. We serve two lines where in our former kitchen we served one. We are serving 385 to 400 children plus 15 to 19 teachers daily.

All cakes, pastry, hot muffins and biscuits are made in the kitchen. Each month we honor the children's birthdays with a decorated cake for each group at a birthday table.

I wish to thank the Superintendent, Principal and teachers for the cooperation given in the cafeteria.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY COFFIN

Cafeteria Manager

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE for the HOWE-MANNING SCHOOL ADDITION

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

Your Building Committee for the most recent addition to the Howe-Manning School herewith submits a final report and with this action respectfully requests to be discharged from further responsibility as by the time of the publication of this report purpose for its formation will have been accomplished.

Your Committee began its work on June 21, 1955 and has conducted a total of 36 meetings during the past two and one-half year period. During this time, an original appropriation of \$165,000 proved to be inadequate at time of bidding necessitating returning to the townspeople for \$30,000 additional to complete the project. In return for the amounts appropriated, a new six classroom addition has been constructed, a new school kitchen erected, a drainage system installed beneath the surface of the playground at the rear of the school extending from the third base area of the baseball diamond around the rear of the backstop and all the way across the outfield to a discharge point beyond the former railroad tracks; a six-foot concrete retaining wall and fence; a macadamized play area; and many necessary minor alterations to the existing building have been accomplished.

Many favorable comments have been made to the members of this Committee concerning the new addition and the Committee is unanimous in its opinion that all due credit should be given the architect, Clinton F. Goodwin of Haverhill and the General Contractor, Paul Currier of Amesbury. The cooperation of these two gentlemen and their associates has made the work of this Committee a pleasant experience.

Respectfully submitted,

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman

Raymond S. Dower, Jr., Secretary

Joseph R. Chartier

Howard F. Kenney, Jr.

Albert Murray

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